

Listening Guide- Episode 3 *Oedipus Rex*

“The Reveal, The Conclusion, Sigmund Freud, and how it all goes together!”

1. We will, by the end of this play, _____ for Oedipus; we will _____ his pain and that’s what the play is supposed to do.
2. People have the ability to see the world from another person’s _____ _____
_____.
3. From his very _____, he had really bad set-backs that were not his fault.
4. This is a man who loves his _____, he loves his children, he loves his
_____; and in this sense, we are Oedipus.
5. Everyone, if they are honest, has to struggle with _____ issues in some way.
6. Oedipus is the extreme version of _____ of us.
7. Their city is suffering from a horrible plague, and they need a _____.
8. Obviously, this news isn’t well received; Oedipus loses his _____ and attacks his
brother-in-law.
9. Oedipus, for the first time in their marriage, asks her what the other
_____ looked like.
10. Apparently, there was _____ witness who ran away when Oedipus showed up to
town.
11. _____ and _____ is at the heart of what we are supposed
to be looking and seeing.
12. In this play, clearly, the protagonist is _____.
13. He’s been a _____ king for a _____ time; he’s raised _____
children into adulthood successfully, and everyone loves him.
14. He’s interested in _____; that’s a noble thing in any culture.
15. The ultimate sin is not knowing who you are as a person; it’s in _____. It’s
in not seeing.
16. Where Oedipus missed the mark, what he did wrong that led to everything else is the
challenge that _____ issued to him.

17. The first thing that happens is the messenger comes from Corinth and claims to bring _____.
18. She says and I quote, "Don't be afraid to marry your _____; many a man before you in dreams has shared his mother's bed."
19. That's where you get your name, Oedipus, which means "_____".
20. Jocasta sees it coming and does not want to _____ this; she's actually dogmatic.
21. Hubris, according to the Greeks, is excessive _____ or excessive confidence.
22. He calls her _____ and prideful a bunch of times here at the end, and again, totally ironic because he's the _____ one.
23. The shepherd comes in and we have the full _____.
24. We, as the _____, we feel sad. He didn't mean any of this; this wasn't who he chose to be.
25. In his last act as king, he will save them, but it's because it _____ him.
26. He doesn't want to have to _____ at the truth; he doesn't want to have to _____ at his children; he doesn't want to _____ at light.
27. When you look _____ and see what is inside every single one of us, sometimes we experience a bloodletting.
28. "Therefore, we must call no man _____ while he waits to see his last day, not until he has passed the border of life and death without suffering pain."
29. The Oedipus _____, as Freud proposed it, occurs during the second stage of what he calls the psychosexual development of children.
30. One of the things a child is supposed to learn during the oedipal stage is how to interact with _____ and how to interact with intimacy.