

Ajax: starter quiz up to line 310

1. Choose one adjective to describe the character of Ajax from what you have seen so far in the play, and one to describe Odysseus, with <u>evidence</u> (paraphrase of something he does or says) to support it: **EXTENSION**: choose a second one.

Character	Adjective(s)	Evidence
Ajax		
Odysseus		
Caysseas		
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- 2. Who is delivering the speech we are currently reading (lines 284 onwards) and to whom is it being delivered?
- 3. Give a translation (or, if you can't, a rough paraphrase) of each of the following lines. Who delivers them?

EXTENSION: pick out a literary feature from each quotation.

γύναι, γυναιξὶ κόσμον ἡ σιγὴ φέρει. [293]

εἴσω δ' ἐσῆλθε συνδέτους ἄγων ὁμοῦ ταύρους, κύνας βοτῆρας, εὔερόν τ' ἄγραν. [296-7]

ἐν δ' ἐφειπίοις νεκρῶν ἐφειφθεὶς ἕζετ' ἀφνείου φόνου, κόμην ἀπρὶξ ὄνυξι συλλαβὼν χερί. [308-310]