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Directions: Answer these questions completely and be prepared to discuss them.

Scene 2

1. What does Creon’s counterargument to Oedipus’ charges reveal about Creon’s character?
2. What decision does the Choragos persuade Oedipus to make regarding Creon? What does this reveal about what is important to the people?
3. How does Jocasta attempt to refute Tiresias’ allegation? Why is this ironic?
4. What does this reveal about Jocasta’s character? What personality flaws, according to ancient Greeks, does she have?
5. How does Jocasta’s attempt to soothe Oedipus backfire?
6. On page 230, Jocasta explains what happened to the sole survivor of the massacre of Laius’ caravan. What does he do, and how do you explain his actions when he returned home with the news?
7. What are some moments where Oedipus and Jocasta SHOULD figure out the truth? Why do you think they don’t?
8. How would you describe the marriage between Oedipus and Jocasta? Provide evidence to prove your point.