

Literature Year 2

Lesson 8: Review of the Aeneid



There is a useful map here: <https://www.coursehero.com/lit/The-Aeneid/infographic/>

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Now answer the questions below:

1. From where is Aeneas fleeing and where is he going?
2. What is Aeneas destined to do when he arrives?
3. A storm diverts Aeneas to the place, the ruins of which are in the picture above. Where is this?
4. Who welcomes them and what is her role in this place?
5. What is the name of Aeneas' father?
6. What is the name of Aeneas' son?
7. When Aeneas departs what happens to his hostess?
8. Where does he get blown to next?
9. What do they do there?
10. Who visits Aeneas in a dream?
11. Where does Aeneas visit after he arrives in Italy?
12. Who guides him?
13. Who does he want to see there?
14. What does he see?

15. How does this help him?
16. Where do they go next?
17. Who welcomes Aeneas peacefully at first and why?
18. Who opposes Aeneas and stirs up hostility?
19. What are the reasons for this?
20. What does Aeneas' son do that causes trouble?
21. What is the outcome?
22. Which god suggests Aeneas should sail north up the Tiber and why does he suggest this?
23. Which goddess helps him during the journey and what does she give him?
24. What happens while Aeneas is away from his followers?
25. What happens when Aeneas returns?
26. Why does Aeneas not spare his wounded enemy?

Answers:

1. From where is Aeneas fleeing and where is he going?

From his home city of Troy, which has been destroyed by the Greeks. He is bound for Italy,

2. What is Aeneas destined to do when he arrives?

Found Rome.

3. A storm diverts Aeneas to the place, the ruins of which are in the picture above. Where is this? As they near their destination, a fierce storm throws them off course and lands them in Carthage.

4. Who welcomes them and what is her role in this place?

Dido, Carthage's founder and queen, welcomes them.

5. What is the name of Aeneas' father? Anchises

6. What is the name of Aeneas' son? Ascanius;

7. When Aeneas departs what happens to his hostess?

Dido is devastated by his departure, and kills herself by ordering a huge pyre to be built with Aeneas's castaway possessions, climbing upon it, and stabbing herself with the sword Aeneas leaves behind.

8. Where does he get blown to next?

Sicily

9. What do they do there?

They hold funeral games for the dead Anchises.

10. Who visits Aeneas in a dream? Anchises, his father

11. Where does Aeneas visit after he arrives in Italy?

Aeneas descends into the underworld.

12. Who guides him? The Sibyl of Cumae

13. Who does he want to see there? Anchises, his father

14. What does he see?

He is shown a pageant of the future history and heroes of Rome.

15. How does this help him?

It helps him to understand the importance of his mission.

16. Where do they go next?

Up the coast to the region of Latium.

17. Who welcomes Aeneas peacefully at first and why?

King Latinus, the Italian ruler because he hopes that Aeneas will prove to be the foreigner whom, according to a prophecy, his daughter Lavinia is supposed to marry.

18. Who opposes Aeneas and stirs up hostility?

Latinus's wife, Amata

19. What are the reasons for this?

She means Lavinia to marry Turnus, a local suitor.

20. What does Aeneas' son do that causes trouble?

Ascanius, Aeneas' son, hunts a stag that was a pet of the local herdsmen.

21. What is the outcome?

A fight breaks out, and several people are killed. Turnus begins a war.

22. Which god suggests Aeneas should sail north up the Tiber and why does he suggest this?

Tiberinus, the river god, says he should sail north up the Tiber to seek military support among the neighbouring tribes.

23. Which goddess helps him during the journey and what does she give him?

His mother, Venus gives him a new set of weapons, wrought by Vulcan.

24. What happens while Aeneas is away from his followers?

While the Trojan leader is away, Turnus attacks.

25. What happens when Aeneas returns?

Aeneas returns to find his countrymen embroiled in battle. Pallas, the son of Aeneas's new ally Evander, is killed by Turnus. Aeneas flies into a violent fury, and many more are slain by the day's end.

26. Why does Aeneas not spare his wounded enemy?

He remembers the slain Pallas.