

KEY TERMS :: THE HOUSE OF ΤΑΝΤΑΛΟΣ

hereditary curse
 miasma (pollution)
 Thyestean Feast

nectar “not-killing”
 ambrosia ~ ‘immortality’

Homer (mid eighth-century BCE)

Pindar (c. 522–443 BCE)

Zeus + Pluto ⇨ Tantalos {*tantalize*}

Tantalos + Dione ⇨ Pelops, Broteas, Niobe

Pelops + Axioche ⇨ Chrysippus

+ Hippodameia ⇨ Pitheus, Troezen, Atreus,
 Thyestes, daughters(marry sons
 of Perseus)

House of Oenomaüs in Pisa

Acrisius + Eurydice ⇨ Evarete + Oenomaus ⇨
Hippodameia

Hermes ⇨ Myrtilos

Family of Atreus

Atreus + Aërope ⇨ Agamemnon, Menelaüs, Anaxibia

Agamemnon + Iphigeneia, Electra, Orestes

Menelaus + Helen ⇨ Hermione

Anaxibia + Strophius ⇨ Pylades

Orestes + Hermione ⇨ Tisamenus

Family of Thyestes

Thyestes + a naiad ⇨ Pelopeia, Tantalus (2), and 2 sons

+ Aërope ⇨ Aglaus, Callileon, Orchomenos

+ Pelopeia ⇨ Aegisthus

Family of Tyndareus

Tyndareus + Leda ⇨ Clytemnestra, Castor

Zeus + Leda ⇨ Helen, Polydeuces || Pollux

Dioscuri (“the Sons of Zeus”)

Castor

Polydeuces || Pollux

Erinyes or Furies, Eumenides

Important Cities in the House of Atreus

Sipylos (Asia Minor)

Mycenae

Pisa

Olympia

Corinth

KEY: ||, equivalent name in Greek & Roman myth; ⇨, “parent of”; underlined parents or offspring are significant; *italicized*, indicates historical figures; *bold italicized* indicates authors read for this assignment.