

The Inferno
Dante Alighieri

For each Canto your group is assigned, complete the following chart:

This chart is for Canto _____

| | Examples, including page references when appropriate |
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| What sinners are here? In general, what is the sin? If there are famous sinners, name them and briefly give their story. | |
| What is their symbolic retribution? Be specific. | |

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| <p>Describe the landscape. Any rivers? What are the other distinguishing features of this landscape?</p> | |
| <p>Any “monsters” or “creatures” here? Name them and describe them. What purpose do they serve?</p> | |
| <p>How does Dante fare in this section? What are his main questions/concerns? How is he holding up?</p> | |
| <p>What insights, if any, come from Virgil? What does he have to teach Dante?</p> | |

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| <p>Besides Virgil, who is here in this section to help or guide Dante? Explain how.</p> | |
| <p>Find and record one epic simile and explain what it means. Be specific.</p> | |
| <p>What is the most powerful image in this section and why? Think about which senses the image evokes and how the image engages the reader.</p> | |
| <p>Anything else? Reconnect with the allegory.</p> | |