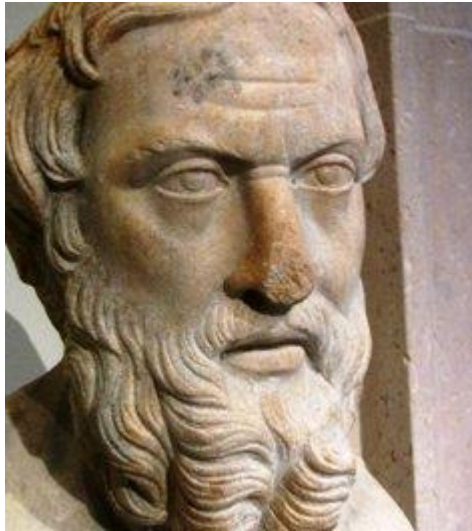


Astyages revenge is an ancient story. Which related to the revenge or reprisal of a king Astyages. Four levels part literal comprehension, interpretation, critical thinking/ analysis, and assimilation are:



Astyages Revenge

Herodotus (484 BC-425BC)

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1. Literal comprehension

[The story](#) 'Astyages Revenge' was written by 'Herodotus'. In this story, the king 'Astyages' daughter 'Mandane' married to a Persian called 'Cambyses'. With his dream interpreter 'Magi', she said his daughter urine flooded the whole Asia & her child became like a king in his palace. After interpreting with his dream interpreter he called back his daughter from Persia when his daughter birth a child. He said his faithful officer 'Harpagus' to expose the child. He also warned him not to give this task to anyone but Harpagus didn't like to kill the royal child & he decided to send by Herdsman whose name was Mitradates to expose the child on the loneliest part of the hill.

But herdsman exposed his own child as a royal child & he took a royal child as his own child because [unfortunately](#) his wife birth a child has died. When the child Cyrus was 10 years old. He played with his friends as a king & he punished his a friend, who was a child of Artembars. Artembars said to the king about the events, when Herdsman & Cyrus came into the palace. Finally, the king knew about the Cyrus then king too much furious with the Harpagus & he cut the throat of Harpagus son's which is the penalty given by the king to the Harpagus for mishandling of his task. Again king interprets with his dream interpreter & he sent Cyrus to Persia to meet his parents. When he reached in the Persia his parents became too happy as well as he welcomed fully of joy.

2. Interpretation

Maybe this story trying to reflect that superstitious [nature of the king](#). If we have destiny whoever tries to kill us however we survived. In that condition, Cyrus presented. Also, it displays the bad effects of absolute power. Also, it interprets that we everyone have equal power, rights it causes no one can misuse their right.

3. Critical thinking

In terms of moral & religious point of view, this story is not well appreciating. In this story whatever king had done, it is dreadful. He keeps his country's men under his rule. But in the present world, people do not follow others rule. In this way, I have some questions with this text

- Is the king so merciless to expose his own child?
- Is the king dream is acceptable?
- Can we believe a father easily neglect his own daughter's pleasure?

4. Assimilation

Before reading this text I used to think that kings are responsible for their palace & peoples & they work for the development of their palace & peoples. But after reading this text I have to know that. King is involved in to fulfill his or her revenge not for conscious toward their people. Therefore, I have developed bad thinks about the kings.

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