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Excerpt

In the myth of Medea, the city-state of Corinth is described as a monarchy, with Creon as king.

In Euripides' and Seneca's plays:

- **King Creon** has **absolute authority**
- He can exile Medea **without trial**

Athenian philosophers, such as Aristotle, shared a wider ancient Greek viewpoint that



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was often critical of absolute power and supported legal systems that applied to all citizens.

Corinth itself experienced different forms of government, including monarchy, oligarchy, and tyranny, in which rulers' adherence to the laws differed.



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