

# Troilus and Cressida

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## SCENE VI. Another part of the plains.

*Enter AJAX*

**AJAX**

Troilus, thou coward Troilus, show thy head!

*Enter DIOMEDES*

**DIOMEDES**

Troilus, I say! where's Troilus?

**AJAX**

What wouldst thou?

**DIOMEDES**

I would correct him.

**AJAX**

Were I the general, thou shouldst have my office  
Ere that correction. Troilus, I say! what, Troilus!

*Enter TROILUS*

**TROILUS**

O traitor Diomed! turn thy false face, thou traitor,  
And pay thy life thou owest me for my horse!

**DIOMEDES**

Ha, art thou there?

**AJAX**

I'll fight with him alone: stand, Diomed.

**DIOMEDES**

He is my prize; I will not look upon.

**TROILUS**

Come, both you cogging Greeks; have at you both!

*Exeunt, fighting*

*Enter HECTOR*

**HECTOR**

Yea, Troilus? O, well fought, my youngest brother!

*Enter ACHILLES*

**ACHILLES**

Now do I see thee, ha! have at thee, Hector!

**HECTOR**

Pause, if thou wilt.

**ACHILLES**

I do disdain thy courtesy, proud Trojan:  
Be happy that my arms are out of use:  
My rest and negligence befriends thee now,  
But thou anon shalt hear of me again;  
Till when, go seek thy fortune.

*Exit*

**HECTOR**

Fare thee well:  
I would have been much more a fresher man,  
Had I expected thee. How now, my brother!

*Re-enter TROILUS*

**TROILUS**

Ajax hath ta'en AEneas: shall it be?  
No, by the flame of yonder glorious heaven,  
He shall not carry him: I'll be ta'en too,  
Or bring him off: fate, hear me what I say!  
I reckon not though I end my life to-day.

*Exit*

*Enter one in sumptuous armour*

**HECTOR**

Stand, stand, thou Greek; thou art a goodly mark:

No? wilt thou not? I like thy armour well;  
I'll frush it and unlock the rivets all,  
But I'll be master of it: wilt thou not,  
beast, abide?  
Why, then fly on, I'll hunt thee for thy hide.

*Exeunt*

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