

1) What does Othello command Desdemona to do, and how does Desdemona respond?

Go to bed and send Emilia home; Desdemona obeys

2) According to Desdemona, who was the maid Barbary and what happened to her?

Desdemona's mother's maid; She died singing a song called "Willow" about a husband who killed his wife.

3) What are Desdemona's views about women who cheat on their husbands? What are Emilia's views? What does Emilia give as the reasons a woman might cheat?

Desdemona doesn't think they should cheat; Emilia thinks women have the right and that if they cheat it's only because their husbands lead them to.

Act V

Scene 1

1) Why do you think Roderigo is so willing to murder Cassio? What do you think Iago told him to convince him it was imperative?

Iago has given him good reason to do so, He told him that Cassio was a main reason that Roderigo and Desdemona are not together.

2) Why do you think Iago doesn't stay and kill Cassio after injuring him?

If he sticks around for too long he won't be able to frame someone else.

Scene 2

3) What evidence proves that Othello still loves Desdemona?

He asks her to pray before he kills her so her sins will be forgiven and she won't go to hell; He kisses her after she dies; He kills himself from the guilt of murdering her.

4) Despite his apparent love for Desdemona, Othello still kills her. What do you think the predominant reasons for this might be? Consider the fact that he no longer seems heated and rash in this last scene.