Act III, Scene i:

**QUOTATION:**

Why, tis no matter, man; if they did hear,  
They would not mark me, or if they did mark,  
They would not pity me, yet plead I must;  
Therefore I tell my sorrows to the stones;  
Who, though they cannot answer my distress,  
Yet in some sort they are better than the tribunes,  
For that they will not intercept my tale:  
When I do weep, they humbly at my feet  
Receive my tears and seem to weep with me;  
And, were they but attired in grave weeds,  
Rome could afford no tribune like to these.  
A stone is soft as wax,—tribunes more hard than stones;  
A stone is silent, and offendeth not,  
And tribunes with their tongues doom men to death.

**Paragraph Sentence Starters**

“William Shakespeare, in the play Titus Andronicus, uses metaphor to...”

“William Shakespeare’s Titus Andronicus explores the revenge through the use of figurative language such as...”

“Two key phrases in Titus’ speech that help us understand his emotional state... because they tell us that...”