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Brutus is considered a tragic hero in the play *Julius Caesar* by William Shakespeare.

Look at the qualities of a tragic hero below. Give examples from the play that support Brutus as a tragic hero.

1. **A Tragic Hero:** Personality (Noble, High Ranking, Righteous)

2. **Hubris:** Excessive pride

3. **Hamartia:** The tragic flaw that eventually leads to his downfall

4. **Peripeteia:** A reversal of fortune brought about by the hero's tragic flaw

5. **Anagnorisis:** Actions result in an increase of self-awareness and self-knowledge

6. **Nemesis:** Poetic Justice

7. **Restoration of Social Order:** Society is back to normal / at peace

8. **Catharsis:** The audience must feel pity and fear for this character