

Scene 4

The King sentences Deдалus

King

Guards! Guards! Bring that useless son of a camel to me NOW!

(enter guards pulling Deдалus, they drop him in front of the King and bow deeply)

King

Stand you mangy dog. Some prisoners have escaped from your silly little maze. Well, what have you got to say for yourself.

Deдалus

Please Sir, the prisoners couldn't have found there own way out, Sir. They just couldn't that labyrinth was foolproof.

King

(very angry) Are you suggesting that I'm lying when I say they escaped!

Deдалus

No Sir, please Sir. I'm only saying that they must have had help from the outside.

King

Aha, from their friends or their families. Guards, round up the prisoners families and give them all one hundred lashes.

Deдалus

No Sir, it-it-it couldn't have been the families Sir, it must have been the guards.

King

(Rising from his thrown and looking dangerous he circles Deдалus) From the guards, Deдалus? Hmmm? From MY guards? Hmmm? From your King's own, loyal guards? Is that what you mean....IS IT?

Deдалus

Y-y-y-yes Sir.

King

Impossible! My guards are all loyal, faithful servants of the King, and don't you forget it, and saying that they would help common criminals is treason. You'll pay for this, do you have a family, Deдалus.

Deдалus

Y-y-yes Sir a wife and my only son, Icarus.

King

Guards, go the house and seize the son and throw him and his hopeless father into the Tower of the Birds – FOREVER.

(Guards drag out Deдалus, protesting)

Deдалus

No, sir, take me sir, but save my son – pleeeaaaasssse!