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## Chaos in Sardanapalus' Final Hour

### Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Answers may vary, but some students may suggest that the chaos and drama in the painting reflect the king's desperation and defiance in his final moments, as well as the consequences of his actions.
2. Answers may vary, but some students may suggest that Delacroix wanted to emphasize the tragedy and folly of Sardanapalus' actions, as well as to convey a message about the destructive nature of unchecked power.
3. Delacroix's use of vibrant and contrasting colors, along with the chaotic composition of the scene, creates a sense of turmoil and intensity, enhancing the feeling of chaos and drama in the painting.

