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BOOK XI: Agamemnon leaves the field wounded. Hector leads the Trojans forward and the Greeks retreat. Nestor offers a plan for defeating the Trojans.

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