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**To Hera**

Great Hera, much ill-treated by your mate  
most human of the gods and most abused  
was it not natural that you should hate  
the girls who kept your sovereign lord amused?

They hurl at you unmerited abuse  
because you met his mistresses with strife  
but those who take with joy the love of Zeus  
should scarce expect affection from his wife.