

Odyssey Study Guide

Directions: Complete the following chart to help you study for the *Odyssey* Unit Test. Use your notes, textbook, and handouts for help. There will also be a close reading passage on the test.

Characters	Background	Story	Settings
Odysseus' father _____	How many books are there in the <i>Odyssey</i> ? _____	Calypso tells Odysseus that he is free to leave her island because _____ _____	Island Calypso lives on _____ It would be described as _____ _____
The sun god _____	An odyssey is a(n) _____	The reader can conclude that Calypso feels _____ towards Penelope.	Island Circe lives on _____ It would be described as _____ _____
Witch who transforms Odysseus's men into pigs _____	The poet who wrote the <i>Iliad</i> and the <i>Odyssey</i> _____	After setting sail from Calypso's island, why doesn't Odysseus make it home? _____ _____	Where Odysseus lives _____
Goddess who keeps Odysseus captive _____ She would be described as _____ _____	The war Odysseus fought in _____ It lasted for _____	Why did Odysseus and his men stop on the island of the Lotus Eaters? _____ _____	Where Odysseus travels to fight the war _____
Main character and hero of the poem _____ His title is _____ _____	Who or what is a muse? _____ How many muses are there? _____ _____	When Odysseus first talks with the Cyclops, he says his name is _____ _____	Island of the sun god _____
Son of Odysseus _____	What is an invocation? _____ Which muse is Homer asking help from? _____	What is Odysseus biggest mistake in the story of "The Cyclops"? _____ _____	Place Circe sends Odysseus so that he may seek the wisdom of the blind prophet _____

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<p>Wife of Odysseus</p> <hr/> <p>You would describe her as</p> <hr/> <hr/>	<p>What important Greek value does the Cyclops fail to extend to Odysseus and his crew?</p> <hr/> <hr/>	<p>What did Aeolus do for Odysseus?</p> <hr/> <hr/>	<p>Where the gods live</p> <hr/>
<p>Odysseus's nurse</p> <hr/> <hr/>	<p>Identify four themes from the <i>Odyssey</i></p> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	<p>What did Circe do to Odysseus's men?</p> <hr/> <p>Why she does this</p> <hr/> <hr/>	<p>Where the Cyclopes live</p> <hr/>
<p>Goddess who intervenes on the behalf of Odysseus</p> <hr/> <p>She is the goddess of</p> <hr/>	<p>The poem the <i>Odyssey</i> is from whose point of view?</p> <hr/> <p>This would be considered</p> <hr/>	<p>Who gives Odysseus the herb that makes him immune to Circe's magic?</p> <hr/> <p>What is the name of the herb?</p> <hr/>	<p>Island of the wind king</p> <hr/>
<p>One-eyed giant; shepherd</p> <hr/> <p>He's best be described as</p> <hr/> <hr/>	<p>How many parts of the <i>Odyssey</i> are there?</p> <hr/>	<p>Odysseus does not warn his crew about Scylla because he thinks they would</p> <hr/> <hr/>	<p>Where Odysseus narrates the story of his adventures</p> <hr/>
<p>The name of Odysseus's dog</p> <hr/> <p>he dies after</p> <hr/>	<p>Identify the attributes that make Odysseus a hero</p> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	<p>Why does Odysseus stop at the Sun god's island?</p> <hr/> <hr/>	<p>Where Odysseus lands after leaving Calypso's island</p> <hr/>
<p>The man who tells Odysseus what Circe has done; he also instigates the plan to eat the cattle of the sun god</p> <hr/>	<p>What is an epithet?</p> <hr/> <hr/> <p>Give an example</p> <hr/> <hr/>	<p>What does Odysseus tell his crew not to do?</p> <hr/> <hr/>	<p>The giant cannibals live</p> <hr/>
<p>Ring leader of the suitors</p> <hr/>	<p>What is an epic?</p> <hr/> <hr/>	<p>When Odysseus returns home, he is disguised as a</p> <hr/>	<p>Where do Odysseus's men eat a Lotus flower?</p> <hr/>

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<p>Zeus sends him to tell Calypso to let Odysseus go</p> <hr/> <p>He is identified by his</p> <hr/> <hr/>	<p>What is a Homeric/hero simile?</p> <hr/> <hr/> <p>Give an example</p> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	<p>Odysseus' wife is equally cunning at testing people. She makes sure that Odysseus is who he says he is by pretending she has moved his what?</p> <hr/>	<p>Island of the people trained to fight</p> <hr/>
<p>The name of the swineherd</p> <hr/>	<p>How long does it take Odysseus to get home after the war ends?</p> <hr/>	<p>How does Odysseus' nurse recognize him in disguise?</p> <hr/>	<p>Visiting the Land of the Dead</p> <hr/>
<p>The name of the god who hates Odysseus</p> <hr/>	<p>The term, which describes "Excessive Pride" in a hero is called</p> <hr/>	<p>The contest Penelope sets for the suitors involves:</p> <hr/> <hr/>	<p>Returning to Ithaca to regain his throne is this archetype</p> <hr/>
<p>King of Phaeacia</p> <hr/>	<p>Possesses superhuman strength, craftiness, and confidence; embodies ideals and values that a culture considers admirable.</p> <hr/>	<p>What happens to the disloyal maids after they clean the blood from the great hall?</p> <hr/>	
<p>People trained to fight on horseback</p> <hr/> <p>They dislike Odysseus because</p> <hr/> <hr/>	<p>Includes fantastic or exotic lands; involves more than one nation</p> <hr/>	<p>Cyclopes; Laestrygonians; Sirens; and Scylla are all this archetype</p> <hr/>	
<p>Gigantic man eating cannibals</p> <hr/>	<p>Characters, situations, and images that are recognizable in many times and cultures</p> <hr/>	<p>Save Penelope and kill the suitors qualifies as this</p> <hr/>	
<p>Six-headed, twelve-tenacled monster</p> <hr/>	<p>Involves a long journey, full of complications</p> <hr/>	<p>Penelope is this archetype</p> <hr/> <p>and this archetype</p> <hr/>	
<p>Whirlpool monster</p> <hr/>	<p>Reflects universal concerns</p> <hr/>	<p>Poseidon and/or Antinous are considered this archetype</p> <hr/>	

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Sea nymphs who lure sailors to their deaths with their beautiful singing _____	The technique used by Homer to start in the middle of the story is called (Latin term) _____	Athena is this archetype _____	
Blind prophet that Odysseus must seek in the Land of the Dead _____	Representation of objects as having human form or traits _____ anthropomorphic _____	Scar on Odysseus' leg qualifies as _____	
Name of the cowherd _____	Blind, rash behavior that offends the gods _____ Ate (ah'tay) _____	Odysseus' crew is this archetype _____	
Name of the wind king _____	Implies a humble and constant striving for perfection and self-improvement _____ Arête _____	Hermes, Calypso, Athena are considered this archetype _____	
Name of Odysseus' mother _____ She dies of _____	A tragic error made by the hero which causes his downfall. _____	Calypso is considered this archetype _____	
Name of the first shade that Odysseus sees _____ He dies when _____ He begs Odysseus to _____		The Long Bow is considered this archetype _____	
Name of the god Odysseus asks to help him make his shot _____		Eumaeus, Eurycleia, Eurynome, and Philoetus are considered this archetype _____	
Another one of the suitors. He blames everything on Antinous _____		Argos is considered this archetype _____	
Another one of the suitors _____			

**In addition to the chart, also apply your archetype notes to the characters, symbols and situations of the *Odyssey*.