

The Odyssey & Trojan War Study Guide

- Matching characters and the rest is multiple choice

1) Trojan War/ Iliad

- Who told this story?
- How did the war start? (Golden Apple Story, characters, & its consequences)
- Who won the war?
- How long did it last?
- This is an example of the epic of a _____
- Who was the best Trojan warrior?
- Who was the best Grecian warrior?
- Who was Menelaus?
- Who was Helen?
- Who was Paris?

2) Odyssey

- Who wrote the epic?
- Who was the main character?
- How long was the journey?
- Model epic of _____
- Where was Odysseus from?
- Know major examples of foreshadowing
- Know major examples of themes in the novel
- Know Polyphemus' prayer
- Know Teiresias' prophesy
- How did Odysseus' men avoid the sirens, Charybdis, Scylla?
- How did Odysseus finally get home?
- What happened once Odysseus returned home?
 - suitors – great test – what was hidden from suitors
- How was Odysseus recognized by his nurse? His wife?
- Why didn't Penelope recognize him at first?

3) Vocab definitions & identify examples from the story:

- a. Epic
- b. Hospitality (pg. 771)
- c. Myth
- d. Alter ego (know examples)
- e. Heroic/epic/Homeric simile (know examples)
- f. Epithet (definitions and recognize examples from the epic)
- g. Personification
- h. Guile
- i. Hubris

4) Matching/ Character identification:

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| - Muses | - Paris |
| - Odysseus | - Helen |
| - Penelope | - Menelaus |
| - Telemachus | - Achilles |
| - Athena | - Hector |
| - Poseidon | - Athena |
| - Polyphemus | - Aphrodite |
| - Calypso | - Zeus |
| - Circe | - Argos |
| - Sirens | - Eurycleia |
| - Teiresias | |
| - Charybdis | |
| - Scylla | |