

## *The Odyssey JOURNALS*

\* Answer 6 of the following questions, topics, and/or situations. You may choose whichever ones you like. Each response needs to be at least a page long. You will not be graded on spelling nor grammar, but on ideas and length.

1. Describe what the term hero means to you.
2. Name a hero in your life and describe why you consider them your hero.
3. Tell about a journey you once took.
4. Predict why you think a poem as old as *The Odyssey* might still be valuable today.
5. What kinds of qualities does a good leader have?
6. What kinds of obstacles do people today have to try and overcome?
7. What kinds of qualities does Odysseus have that make him a good leader?
8. What kinds of qualities does Odysseus have that make him a good friend?
9. If someone says to you "Beware of Greeks bearing Gifts" what would this be in reference to and what could it possibly mean to you?
10. Write an entry that Odysseus might write in his ship's log.
11. Human weakness plays a big part in this story. Tell what Odysseus' weakness is and why Homer might have wanted to include this in his story.
12. Make a detailed chart comparing and contrasting Odysseus and Eurylochus.