

## *The Odyssey Project*

Choose 1 of the following. Or, you may create your own project, but you must have my approval first!

1. Create your own myth. (at least 2 pages, ink or typed)
2. Essay. Discuss the women in Homer's work. What role do women play in *The Odyssey*, and how do you think they represent the women of ancient Greece? (at least 2 pages, ink or typed)
3. Create a modern monster. Odysseus is now facing a monster who vividly portrays something about the challenges of life in your school and/or community. Write a story about Odysseus and this monster. Plus, create a picture of your monster.
4. Odysseus' adventures are the stuff of comic book heroes. Create your own comic book to illustrate an episode from Part 1 of the *Odyssey*. Illustrate the characters and locations and provide appropriate text, including dialogue in balloons.
5. Set the Sirens' song to music. Choose a tune you already know, or invent one of your own. The music should reflect your interpretation of the mood or tone of the Sirens' song. Then, record it. Be ready to present your video to the class.
6. Create a game show. Find some friends to work on this project with you. That's right! This one is GROUP WORK!!! Create the Dating Game involving the characters from *The Odyssey*.
  - \* Decide which characters you are going to represent.  
There needs to be a contestant, three bachelors/bachelorettes, the host, and a technical director/cameraman. (Yes, you will be filming it!!!)
  - \* The group then decides on the three questions to be asked. These must relate to the story in some way, or they can be something that you consider to be important to that character.
  - \* Then the group decides on the answers for each bachelor/bachelorettes. The answers should reflect what the character would have done.
  - \* Finally, decide on a winner.
  - \* Film and perform it!
  - \* After the production, you all need to write a one-page rationale on the reasoning behind the events that occur in the game show. Would you do anything

differently? Comment on whether or not you think Homer would be satisfied with your interpretation of his/her characters.

- \* You may add perks to the video. Feel free to add commercials or make it “Springer”sque. Just don’t let it get out of hand. Keep in mind, anything added MUST also relate to the story.