
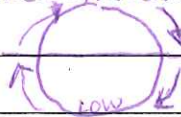


Cornell Notes 	Topic/Objective: Background to The Odyssey	Class: English I - Teacher: Date:
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Essential Question: What important background information do I need to know before reading "The Odyssey"?

The Hero's Journey/Archetypes													
What is the journey of the hero?	Pattern found in stories around the world. Takes the hero through trials and tests. 												
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Homer													
Who is Homer?	Blind poet and minstrel (sang stories)												
What is an Epic?	Long story that tells the hero's journey Iliad and The Odyssey												
Why did he write the Epic?	To teach people the lessons of heroes and learn the qualities of society												
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Mythology	
Myth def.	explain why things happen
Athena	Goddess of wisdom + war Help Odysseus home - liked his intelligence
Zeus	God of sky Tried to keep Odysseus from returning home
Poseidon	God of sea Tries to keep Odysseus from returning home (blinded his son)
Modern day example	Nike Saturn marathon planets
Historical Facts - The Trojan War	
Causes	Helen stolen by Prince of Troy
outcome	Greeks
famous people	Achilles
gods	Athena Zeus Poseidon
Role of Odysseus	Came up w/ Trojan horse
Modern day references	Achilles had college mascots Don't look a gift horse in the mouth The face that launched a thousand ships
Greek Customs	
hospitality	- give gifts + welcome guests w/ food + drink - unspoken law that you give hospitality + food to guests
rituals to gods	- the gods explained things - gods relied on humans for sacrifices - sacrifice animals - religious festivals - gods gave gifts like rain etc. like the Olympics
Funerals	- Women wear black - must be buried - there would be a long procession + buried w/ gifts + give sacrifices of animals
Society	- art education and athleticism - two groups free people + slaves