



### Gods & Goddesses of Mount Olympus

- Research assigned god/goddess & take notes:
  - Characteristics, connections to other gods/goddesses, what he/she is known for, etc.
- Report back to class AS your character
  - Tell us about your god/goddess in a way that SOUNDS like and APPEARS as that person
  - BE CREATIVE and ENTERTAIN us. For example, if your god has a temper, we want to SEE and HEAR that!



## Notebook Entry: God or Goddess?



- If you had to choose one god or goddess that you feel you are similar to and/or can relate to, which would it be?
  - Describe your similarities in 7+ sentences, including specific information about your chosen god/goddess to back up your response.
    - Don't feel you relate to any of them? Choose one you're VERY different from and explain why using the same criteria above.

### The Odyssey: Anticipation Guide

- 1. The best travel is one that is well planned and has no surprises.
- 2. Good leaders are people who can think on their feet.
- 3. You must be strong in order to be a leader.
- 4. Fear is an excellent motivator.
- 5. "Distance makes the heart grow fonder."



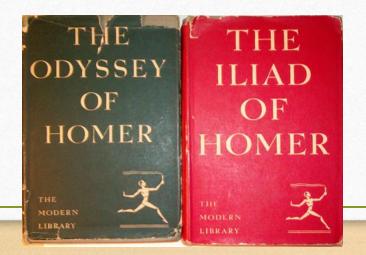
#### An "Epic Hero" is...

On a quest for something of great value to him or to his people

- Superhuman- He is braver, stronger, smarter, and cleverer than an ordinary person.
- Is ethical (does the right thing)
- A larger-than-life hero who embodies the values of a particular society (represents their beliefs)
- Is strong & responsible leader
- Hindered by the divine world (the gods) as they interfere with the human world

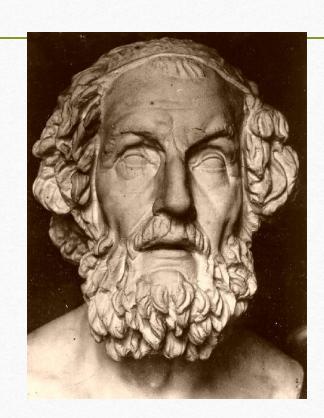
#### Connection to The Odyssey

- War is narrated by Homer in two parts: The Iliad and The Odyssey
  - The Iliad: Tells happenings at end of Trojan War
  - The Odyssey: Describes Odysseus (Achaean leader) & his journey home <u>after</u> Trojan
     War



#### The Odyssey by Homer

- Describes Odysseus' (Achaean leader)
   journey home after Trojan War
- Begins in media res, meaning"in the middle" of important action
- Odysseus has just helped to win war by
   Destroying city of Troy
- Tells story of journey home via flashbacks



#### The Odyssey: An Epic

Epic = Long poem, describes adventures of valiant,

legendary character (hero)

- Contains the following qualities:
  - Characters have historical significance
  - Vast setting
  - Events require great courage
  - Actions require superhuman courage or supernatural forces (such as gods)





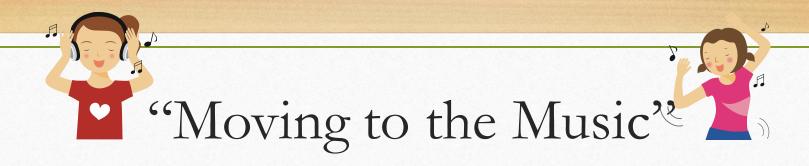


# "Moving to the Music" Cattle of the Sun God

- 1. Although he and his men are starving, Odysseus refuses to let his men eat Helios' cattle. Why doesn't he simply eat the cows and end his hunger?
- 2. What does Eurylochus propose they do with the cattle? What is his reasoning?
- 3. What do Odysseus' shipmates do while Odysseus is sleeping?
- 4. How is Odysseus' ship destroyed at the end of Part 1?
- 5. How many of Odysseus' shipmates survive the wreck?

#### Character Postcards

- Send 2 postcards, each from DIFFERENT character
  - Ex: Odysseus, Odysseus' men, Cyclops, Helios, Zeus, etc.
    - Who would be receiving the postcard?
    - What would they write, if only offered a bit of space to do so?
    - What would their PURPOSE be in writing?
    - Would they be asking for help? Updating a loved one?
- Write 4-5 sentences, address, & DRAW OUT SCENE
  - What would be the main HIGLIGHT the drawing is supposed to demonstrate?



- Hear music? Move around the room
- When music stops, find partner that is closest to you
- Look to PPT for prompt question
- Partners answer question in DIFFERENT way
- Hear music again? Move around room & repeat





# "Moving to the Music" The Cyclops

- 1. List two characteristics of an epic hero
- 2. List two characteristics of an epic
- 3. Explain how the Trojan War began
- 4. How does the Cyclops become injured?
- 5. How do Odysseus and his men escape the cave in *The Cyclops*?
- 6. Do you think Odysseus was a good leader in this adventure?