Odyssey Characters Study Guide
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Odysseus - Laertes' son; "that man skilled in all ways of contending."

Tiresias - Of Aeaea.

Eurylochus - "The blind prophet;" Odysseus visits him in the land of the dead.

Atinous - "Eupieithes' son;" The rudest, most arrogant suitor.

Penelope - Odysseus' faithful wife.

Eumeas - A swineherd; Odysseus and Telemachus are reunited near his hut.

Telemachus - "The prince" True son of Odysseus.

Charybdis - A fierce whirlpool personified as a woman.

Calypso - Held Odysseus captive for seven years.

Athena - Patron goddess of Odysseus; "Hope of soldiers."

Circe - Turned Odysseus' men into swine for their poor behavior at her table.

Sirens - Lure sailors with to their deaths with their songs.

Poseidon - "Who sets the earth a-tremble," father of Polyphemus.

Polyphemus - A cyclops.

Calliope - Goddess of epic poetry; invocations are written to her.