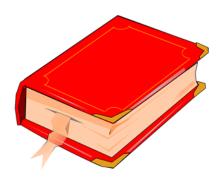
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## **Odysseus's Path**

**Directions:** Read the list of Odysseus's adventures below as they happened in The Odyssey by Homer. Arrange each event in the **correct chronological order** by writing numbers 1-10 in the blanks. Then, on a separate sheet, answer the questions that follow.

Odysseus blinds the Cyclops Polyphemus.
Odysseus resists the Sirens by being tied to the mast.
Odysseus returns home to Ithaca and defeats the suitors.
Odysseus and his crew face Scylla and Charybdis.
Odysseus is trapped by the enchantress Circe.
Odysseus travels to the Land of the Dead.
Odysseus is held captive by Calypso on her island.
Odysseus and his men raid the Cicones.
Odysseus's men eat the cattle of the Sun God, Helios, bringing disaster.
Odysseus encounters the Lotus-Eaters.

## **Reflection Questions**

- 1. Which adventure do you think tested Odysseus's **cleverness** the most? Why?
- 2. Which episode reveals the most about his leadership and his weaknesses?
- 3. How does the long sequence of trials highlight themes of **perseverance and fate** in the epic?
- 4. Do you think Odysseus grows wiser because of these ordeals, or does he remain the same man? Support your answer.

