#### The Odyssey

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# What flower make the sailors forget their desire to return home?

# Answer: Lotus flower

### Why does Odysseus want to kill Eurylochus?

Answer: Eurylochus tells the men not to listen to Odysseus as he believes Odysseus will lead them to sure death or demise if they go to Circe's palace.

#### How is Odysseus able to safely listen to the Sirens' song?

Answer: Odysseus' men tie him to the ship and do not listen to his pleas to be untied.

### Who begs Odysseus to bury him?

### Answer: Elpenor

#### Of what did Odysseus' mother die?

#### Answer: Grief

#### What does Tiresias warn Odysseus not to do on his voyage home?

# Answer: harm Helios' cattle

### Who transforms Odysseus' men into pigs?

#### Answer: Circe

What is unusual about the behavior of the wolves and the lions on Circe's island?

Answer: They were fawning around the crew; calm; docile; tame.

What happened to Eurylochus's men when they drank Circe's wine?

# Answer: They turned to pigs

## How was Odysseus able to withstand Circe's magic?

Answer: Hermes gives Odysseus a special plant called the moly plant that will make him immune to Circe's spells.

# Where does Circe tell Odysseus he must go before he can return home?

#### Answer: Odysseus must go to the Underworld to speak to Tiresias.

Which does Circe tell
Odysseus will be the lesser
evil, Scylla or Charybdis?

### Answer: Scylla

How does Odysseus justify his decision not to tell his men about Scylla?

Answer: He claims that if his men knew the dangers of Scylla they would retreat in panic to the bottom of the ship.

What does Odysseus assume about the Phaecians when he awakes and does not recognize where he is?

Answer: He assumes they have tricked him and have stolen his treasures.

What is Poseidon concerned about when he realizes that Odysseus has landed in Ithaca in good condition with bountiful treasure?

Answer: Poseidon is concerned that the other gods and mortal people will not take him seriously anymore as his wishes/commands were not adhered to.

#### Who oftens helps and speaks on behalf of Odysseus?

# Answer: Athena

### What is Odysseus's mother's name?

# Answer: Anticleia

What advice does Agamemnon give Odysseus when he encounters him in the Underworld?

Answer: Agamemnon warns Odysseus to never tell a woman the entire truth as he believes women are deceitful, conniving people who cannot be trusted.

### Why has Telemachus gone to Sparta?

Answer: He is looking to find out more information about what happened to his father.

