**English 11/12 Honors: Tolkien Name:**

**Mr. Fisher**

***The Odyssey Jeopardy-Style Review Sheet***

Test: 10 MC “Who Am I” (10 pts), 10 MC Background (10 pts), 20 MC Book (40 pts), 5 MC Movie (10 pts), 1 of 2 Long Answer (30 pts, 10 sentence min.). Topics: Auden; Fathers and Sons.

Who Am I: Part I:

1—Who was the goddess of wisdom who began life by bursting out of Zeus’s head? (Athena)

2—Who was the immortal nymph who turned Odysseus’s men into pigs and eventually tried to poison him? (Circe)

3—What is the name of the Cyclops who Odysseus stabbed in the eye and blinded? (Polyphemus)

4—Who is the God of the Sun whose cattle were stolen and eaten by Odysseus’s men? (Helios)

5—Name one of two suitors who are identified by name as the most likely to ascend to the throne. (Antinous and Eurymachus)

Who Am I: Part II:

1—Who was the beautiful, immortal nymph who captured Odysseus, imprisoned him on her island, and forced him to be her lover? (Calypso)

2—Who was the Phaeacian princess who found Odysseus, naked, on the shores of her island? (Nausicaa)

3—What is the name of the blind prophet who, from the Underworld, told Odysseus his future and the way to return home to Ithaca? (Tiresias)

4—Who was the King of Sparta, husband of Queen Helen, who spends his days mourning those he lost in the Trojan War? (Menelaus)

5—Who was the Phaeacian king of Scheria, husband of Queen Arete, who was incredibly generous and kind to Odysseus? (Alcinous)

Odyssey: Terms

1—Who translated this version of *The Odyssey*? (Robert Fagles)

2—What is Hubris? (Excessive Pride)

3—What is the correct term for a long poem about a hero and his or her triumphs? (Epic poem)

4—What is the correct term for the story-telling method that *The Odyssey* employs? (In Media Res)

5—“Dawn, with her rose-red fingers” is an example of what device? (stock epithet)

Odyssey: Background

1—Name three subjects that Athena was goddess of: (Wisdom, courage, inspiration, civilization, law and justice, mathematics, strength, war strategy, the arts, crafts, and skill.)

2—According to Homer, why was the Trojan War fought? (Queen Helen of Sparta left her husband for Paris, a Prince of Troy).

3—Who do historians believe Homer was? (There is some evidence of a “Homer,” but not much. Hence, we are not really sure, and most experts doubt his existence.)

4—Why are the Greeks scattered after the Trojan War? (Ajax raped a Trojan princess and the Greeks did not punish him, so Athena punishes them all.)

5—What is the name of the King who, despite being scattered by Athena, got home to Pylos relatively quickly, but did not know what had happened to the other Greek leaders after the Trojan War? (Nestor)

Odysseus:

1—What is Odysseus’s greatest weakness? (Hubris)

2—Name the three women Odysseus supposedly sleeps with in this book. (Penelope, Circe and Calypso)

3—What does Odysseus do every time Demodocus sings? (He cries)

4-- When Odysseus is challenged to an athletic competition by two young Phaeacians, how does he respond? (He grabs the nearest discus, throws it farther than other man could, and then brags about it.)

5-- What advice to Nausicaa give to Odysseus before he meets with her parents? (Speak to her mother, the Queen, first).

Odysseus and his Crew

1—Why does Odysseus place beeswax on his men’s ears? (To block out the song of the sirens)

2—Eating what food, according to Odysseus, made his men sleepy and unmotivated? (The Fruit of the Lotus Eaters)

3—How did Odysseus and his men escape the Cyclops’ cave? (They hid under the bellies of sheep)

4—Who gives Odysseus and his crew winds in a bad to help them get back to Ithaca? (Aeolus)

5—What do Odysseus and his men do when they visit the Cicones on the island of Ismarus? (They kill the men and rape the women).

Telemachus and Analysis:

1--Why does Telemachus leave Ithaca to visit Sparta and Pylos? (To find out what happened to his father.)

2—Name three themes from the Odyssey. (Many possible answers)

3—What does Odysseus’s bed symbolize? (The special connection between Odysseus and Penelope)

4—Two part question: Why is it that Menelaus cannot stop crying, and what does stop him, temporarily, from crying? (He is mourning the loss of his men; his wife, Helen, is drugging him with a magic potion she got from Zeus).

5-- Why are most of the suitors living in Odysseus’s palace? (They know that Penelope would never pick them, but are using it as an excuse to live off Odysseus’s wealth.)

Odyssey Hodgepodge:

1—Why does Poseidon hate Odysseus? (Odysseus blinded his son)

2—Why does Calypso allow Odysseus to leave her island? (Because Hermes told her Zeus ordered it)

3—What are the Laestrygonians? (Giants)

4—In the very first book of *The Odyssey*, Zeus conducts a meeting about Odysseus. What are Zeus’s two orders that come from this meeting? (Zeus agrees with Athena’s request to check on Telemachus, and Zeus sends Hermes to deliver a message to Calypso)

5—Name three of the four people to whom Odysseus speaks (and does not just see) in the Underworld? (His mother, Elpenor, Tiresias, Agamemnon)