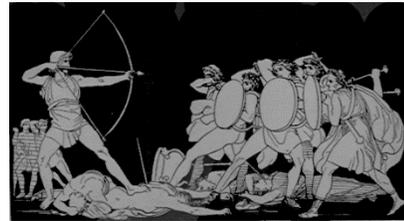


## 2018 Classical Scholars Exam

1. What man is described in the following: “the man of twists and turns driven time and again off course”? (Book 1, lines 1-2)
2. Of what island was Odysseus king?
3. Who was the long-suffering wife of Odysseus?
4. Who is the daughter of Zeus and Leda, the cousin of Penelope, and the wife of Menelaus?
5. Who was Odysseus’ elderly father for whom Penelope wove a shroud?
6. How many books are in *The Odyssey*?
7. What son of Cronus and Rhea was considered the protector of strangers and beggars?
8. To what famous Spartan king did Telemachus travel for advice?
9. What deity inspired Telemachus to leave Ithaca and seek out word of his father?
10. Who was the loyal swineherd of Odysseus?
11. What whirling monster did Circe advise Odysseus to avoid?
12. Who was the king of Aeolia?
13. As what elderly Ithacan did Athena disguise herself in order to mentor Telemachus?
14. What winged enchantresses of the sea could lure sailors to their ruin with their song?
15. Of whom is Polyphemus speaking in the following: “‘*Nobody*, friends’—Polyphemus bellowed back from his cave—‘Nobody’s killing me now by fraud and not by force!’”? (Book 9, lines 454-5)
16. To whom is Polyphemus speaking in the following: “If I really am your son and you claim to be my father—come, grant that Odysseus, raider of cities...never reaches home.”? (Book 9, lines 587-90)
17. What rosy-fingered goddess was the wife of Tithonus?
18. To what people did Odysseus and his crew travel after the Cicones and before Polyphemus?
19. While in the Underworld, what famous leader of the Achaeans at Troy told Odysseus of his murder at the hands of Aegisthus?
20. What island was the home of the nymph Calypso?
21. What was the dog’s name who upon seeing Odysseus after his 20 year absence laid down his head and died?



22. What seer in the Underworld gave this prophecy to Odysseus: “go forth once more, you must... carry your well-planned oar until you come to a race of people who know nothing of the sea...then plant your bladed, balanced oar in the earth.”? (Book 11, lines 138-47)
23. Who was the brutal and cannibalistic king of the Laestrygonians?
24. What unfaithful goatherd of Odysseus was killed by Eumaeus and the cowherd Philoetius, servants who remained loyal to Odysseus?
25. What god of the sea and father of Eidothea did Menelaus trick into telling him what he needed to do to return home to Sparta?
26. Who reported to Odysseus the unfortunate fate of his comrades whom Circe had turned into pigs?
27. To what nymph did Hermes bring this command: ““Now Zeus commands you to send him off with all good speed: it is not his fate to die here, far from his own people.”? (Book 5, lines 125-6)
28. Laertes is to Odysseus as \_\_\_\_\_ is to Penelope.
29. During the festival of what god were the suitors slaughtered?
30. Upon meeting what Phaeacean princess did Odysseus utter the following: ““Here I am at your mercy, princess—are you a goddess or a mortal.”? (Book 6, lines 163-4)
31. What crewman of Odysseus fell to his death off of Circe’s roof?
32. What son of Nestor traveled with Telemachus to Sparta?
33. Over what island did Alcinous and Arete rule?
34. Which suitor was the first to be killed by Odysseus?
35. What man, a priest of Apollo at Ismarus, gave Odysseus precious wine which Odysseus later used to drug the cyclops Polyphemos?
36. What son of Eurytus, king of Oechalia, gave Odysseus the bow the suitors were not able to even string?
37. What fugitive seer did Telemachus bring home with him from his travels?
38. What thief and trickster was the father of Anticleia and the grandfather of Odysseus?
39. With what Ithacan beggar did Odysseus fight?
40. Who sang for Odysseus the story of the Trojan Horse and reduced him to tears?
41. Whose idea was it to propose the archery contest that Odysseus won?
42. What Ithacan bard sang in Book I of the homecomings of the Greeks returning from Troy?
43. Upon what mountain in central Greece was Odysseus gored by a boar while visiting Autolycus and his sons?



44. What Ithacan elder, the prophetic son of Mastor, predicted that Odysseus would return to his homeland after an absence of twenty years?
45. What does Odysseus, disguised as a beggar, tell Penelope his name is?
46. What spearman was the last member of Odysseus's crew to be eaten by the cyclops Polyphemus?
47. What sea goddess lent Odysseus her veil to save him from drowning?
48. Book 24 opens with a detailed description of whose funeral?
49. Whose prophecy concerning Odysseus does Polyphemus remember when it is too late?
50. Who, besides Odysseus and Penelope, knew that their bed was rooted to the ground by an olive tree?

