

Chapters 7, 8, and 9 Comprehension Questions

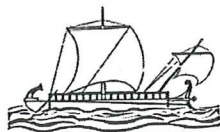
1. Describe Odysseus's reaction at seeing his mother in the Land of the Dead.

2. What advice does Tiresias give Odysseus?

3. Explain why the gods were angry with Tantalus. What was his punishment?

4. Odysseus had three major adventures during the year since he left Troy. Describe each one briefly.

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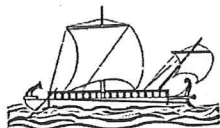


CHAPTER 7: THE LAND OF THE DEAD

1. According to the text, why does Odysseus have to go to the Land of the Dead?

2. If you were one of Odysseus' men, would you travel with him to the Land of the Dead? Why or why not?

3. How does Odysseus feel at the end of this chapter? Use evidence from the text to support your answer.



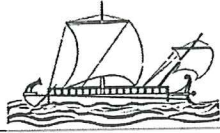
CHAPTER 8: LIKE A SHADOW OR A DREAM

1. What did Odysseus realize had happened in Ithaca while he was away?

2. Why did the ghost of Tiresias tell Odysseus not to lose hope? What did he tell Odysseus to do?

3. How do you think this advice will help Odysseus return to Ithaca?

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CHAPTER 9: THE WARRIOR GHOSTS

1. List and describe two spirits that Odysseus speaks to in this chapter.

2. What kind of news did Odysseus hear about his family and loved ones while he was in the Land of the Dead?

3. How do you think Odysseus feels at the end of this chapter? Use evidence from the text to support your answer.
