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English 10: World Literature

*The Odyssey*  
Guided Reading Questions- Part 5

***Book 17: The Beggar and the Faithful Dog***

1. How do Eurycleia and Penelope react to Telemachus's return?
2. What did the soothsayer (fortune-teller) inform Penelope?
3. Who is Odysseus disguised as on his return to his home?
4. What is the name of Odysseus's old dog?
5. How old is the dog?
6. Where was the dog lying when Odysseus found him?
7. What does the dog do when he recognizes Odysseus?
8. What happens to the dog after he sees Odysseus? (1514-15).
9. What do the suitors do to the beggar?
10. Why is Penelope supportive of the beggar?
11. What does Penelope say to Telemachus in Book 18?

***Book 18: The Actual Beggar***

1. Why does Odysseus get in a fight with Iros? Who wins?
2. What trick does Penelopeia play on the suitors in this book?
3. Which three characters anger Odysseus in this book?

***Book 19: Penelope, the Beggar, and the Nurse***

1. What is the problem with the maids?
2. What does Penelope ask Odysseus, the beggar in disguise?
3. What does Odysseus request that Penelope not ask him about?
4. What would make Penelope happy?

5. What does Penelope tell Odysseus about the suitors?
6. How does Penelope feel about marrying one of the suitors?
7. What does “the beggar” pretend?
8. What does Penelope do as she listens to “the beggar”?
9. What does Penelope ask “the beggar” to do?