

4. In lines 80-95, what decisions are made at the council of the gods?

5. What impression do you get of the suitors in Book One?

Book Two

1. What does Penelope do to keep the suitors from marrying her?

2. In the assembly at Ithaca, what do the suitors say in their speeches?

3. What do we learn about the character of the suitors from their speeches?

4. How does the character of Telemachos contrast with that of the suitors?

5. Where is Telemachos going at the end of Book 2?

Book Three

1. In Book Three, generous hospitality is offered to Telemachos by strangers. Why do you think this was so important in the ancient world?

2. In lines 254-327, what happened to Agamemnon after the war?

Book Four

1. What do we learn about Helen from Book Four?

2. What do we learn about Odysseus in lines 240-289?

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