English 1

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**The Odyssey**

The concept of a hero has been interpreted in many ways throughout the ages. One literary hero who seems to stand the test of time is Odysseus. In an organized essay, write about two of Odysseus's traits that you feel make him a hero. Explain in your introduction & conclusion how each of these traits is also seen as heroic even in today's world.

* Use MLA Format for paper and quotations from the book.
* It is important that you take time to organize your thoughts through prewriting/shaping.
* Create a clear **and argumentative** thesis statement and place towards the end of your introductory paragraph.
* Organize two body paragraphs that contain at least one quote each; begin each paragraph with a clear and argumentative topic sentence
* Provide a smooth lead-in for each quote which gives contextual information
* Include parenthetical citations with page numbers after each quote
* Learn from your last essay and strive to provide **more insight and analysis** as opposed to merely restating the quote; delve beneath the surface!
* Make sure to use transitions between sentences.
* Make sure your conclusion is a complete paragraph solidifying your essay.

**\*Due Monday December 5th** \*