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Jolly/English

Study Guide for The Odyssey (Fitzgerald translation)

Asterisks indicate names of more than routine importance; they are the ones you are required to know. Some names are not listed; these you will not be held responsible for.

Book II	<u>Humans</u>	<u>Place Names</u>	<u>Gods & supernaturals</u>
	Aigyptios		
	Eurymakhos*		
	Mentor*		
	Leokritos		

Reading guide questions: Read these over before you read the text. Read them again after you've read. You can check to see if you've understood the reading this way. Jot down notes for reference for each question; complete sentences are not required.

1. Take note of the growth of Telemakhos in this book. Observe his conduct during the assembly; how would you describe his behavior in positive terms?
- ~~2. What requests does Telemakhos make of the assembly?~~
3. What complaint does Antinoos make against Penelope? (Note the story about her weaving.)
4. What response does the assembly make to Telemakhos' request?
- ~~5. Who is Mentor? What does the word mean in modern English?~~
- ~~6. How does Eurycleia help Telemakhos?~~
7. What part does Athena play in getting Telemakhos away from Ithaka to sandy Pylos?
8. The ancient Greeks had a moral code very different from our (primarily) Judeo-Christian one. Some of their ideas are beginning to emerge. What values can you observe so far in the epic regarding:

Fidelity & faithfulness:

Treatment of the elderly:

Marriage:

Standing up for what is right: