**The Odyssey, Study Guide #10 Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Part II: Book 22 “Death in the Great Hall** (p. 1256-1261) **Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

Answer the following questions with complete sentences.

1. Who does Odysseus ask for help as he prepares to take his revenge? Why is this an appropriate person to ask? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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2. Who is the first suitor killed, and in what manner is he killed? Why is his manner of death fitting?

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3. What do the suitors look for at lines 23-25, and why can’t they find them? (see sidebar note)

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4. What crimes does Odysseus accuse the suitors of?

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5. How does Eurymachus attempt to avoid Odysseus’ revenge? What does he offer in restitution?

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6. How does Odysseus respond to Eurymachus? What does Eurymachus say to encourage the suitors in response?

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7. How does Telemachus prove to be a valuable help to his father?

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8. What does Telemachus do from ll. 97-106, and what do these actions show about his character?

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9. Who else assists Odysseus kill the suitors?

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10. How does Athena involve herself in the action? What does she do (and not do) for Odysseus and his allies?

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**Book 23 “The Trunk of the Olive Tree** (p. 1262-1265)

11. What does Athena do to get Odysseus ready for his reunion with Penelope?

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12. How does Odysseus react to his wife’s silence?

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13. What is the motivation behind Penelope’s skepticism about this man who claims to be her husband?

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14. What does Penelope tell her maid, Eurycleia, to do, and what is Odysseus’ response?

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15. Describe Odysseus and Penelope’s bed.

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16. What was the purpose behind Penelope’s ruse (or trick) of the bed? (ll. 58-80)

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17. Summarize the epic simile used to describe Odysseus’ embrace of Penelope. Why is an appropriate simile to use in this situation?

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18. What events occur after Odysseus is reunited with his wife?

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