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Odyssey essay

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In the book The Odyssey the ancient Greeks require specific traits form their heroes. Odysseus was just one of the many great Greek heroes and has many quality traits that the ancient Greeks looked for. Two of the traits that the ancient Greeks looked for in their heroes are strength and wisdom. And there is only one hero I can think of that has both of those qualities and that hero is Odysseus

The first trait is strength Odysseus has a lot of strength a good example of this is a quote from the Odyssey is “he seized the stool and hurled it-square in the back it struck Odysseus just under the right shoulder but he stood up against it steady as a rock” this shows how he is strong because he didn’t even flinch. Strength is an important trait because without it you can’t kill anything.

The second trait is wisdom Odysseus has a lot of intelligence a good example is a quote from the odyssey of this is “I poured him another fiery bowl three bowls I brimmed and three he drank.” That trick was smart because he was getting the Cyclops drunk to defeat him. Wisdom is an important trait because without wisdom the heroes would not be able to create a plan as fast as someone who was smart.