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Epic Traits

In *The Monster in the Cave*, you met two memorable characters: Odysseus and Polyphemus. What are these characters like? Is each a good guy or a bad guy? How do you know? Use this graphic organizer to help you analyze the traits of each character. First, you will describe each character based on what you read in the play. Then you'll examine them again, based on what you'll see in the video "Cyclops: My Side of the Story."

Based on the Play *The Monster in the Cave*

Directions: For Odysseus and for Polyphemus, list two traits. Then provide evidence of each trait. Next, fill in a circle to show where you think each character falls on the "Villain/Hero Meter," with 1 being the vilest villain and 5 being the most admirable hero, and explain why you think the character deserves that score.

Odysseus	Polyphemus
Trait: **Text Evidence:** **Trait:** **Text Evidence:**	**Trait:** **Text Evidence:** **Trait:** **Text Evidence:**
Hero/Villain Meter 1 2 3 4 5 villain hero **Reason:**	**Hero/Villain Meter** 1 2 3 4 5 villain hero **Reason:**

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Based on the Video "Cyclops: My Side of the Story"

Directions: Complete the graphic organizer below as you did for the "Based on the Play" section, but this time use evidence from the video "Cyclops: My Side of the Story" to draw and support your conclusions.

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Conclusion: Write one paragraph explaining why your analysis of these two characters did or did not change after you saw the video. Continue on a separate sheet of paper if needed.

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