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I am reading the Odyssey by Homer, translated by Emily Wilson. I chose to read this book because I am patinate about Greek and roman mythology, and love reading books that are written in poetry. This tale makes me want to find out a lot more about other Greek/Roman myths. The odyssey is one of the most unique books I have read, as it was originally written over a millennia ago. While the book is nowhere near modern the translation makes it feel that way. Reading this book has made me extremely interested in reading other Greek myths as it is something that I am very patinate about and love deeply. One of the best parts of the section that I am currently reading is when Odysseus arrives back at his home in Ithica and produces a plan to kill the suiters that are courting his wife, Penelope. When he arrives back in Ithaca, he decides to disguise himself as a beggar with the help of the goddess Athena. He then meets his son Telemachus and tells him to keep it a secret that he is disguised. They both plot to kill the suiters with the help of Athena. The reason this is the best part is because it shows the growth of his son and him as people, and warriors. This book has helped me escape the world and just relax while reading. One of the most important decisions the Odysseus made was his choice to go back home to Ithica, if he had not made this decision the whole narrative of the book would have changed. In the start of the book, you do not really know what is happening, and changing of perspectives only adds to that, but as the book progresses it becomes increasingly apparent which perspective is attached to each character, this is one of the things that I think makes the book so enjoyable, and so engrossing. Some questions that I had after reading this section of the book were: "Why did Odysseus keep his identity concealed when he came back to Ithica?" Another question I had was "What happens to Odysseus after he kills all the suiters?".