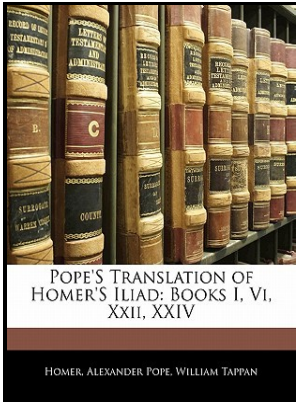


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They chopped it deftly, spitted the pieces, roasted them carefully, and then drew them from the spits. What qualities does each have that would appeal to Achilles? A single pine beam held the gates, and it took three men to ram it home, three to shoot the immense bolt back and spread the doors—three average men. Shame is not of his soul; nor understood, The greatest evil and the greatest good.

HOMER, ILIAD BOOK 24

The gate was barred with a single bolt of pine which it took three men to force into its place, and three to draw back so as to open the gate, but Achilles could draw it by himself. Nay, let us now make our lament afar from him we mourn, abiding here in the hall.

HOMER, ILIAD BOOK 24

How does their resolve compare with Achilles'? High on the seat the cabinet they bind: The new-made car with solid beauty shined: Box was the yoke, embossed with costly pains, And hung with ringlets to receive the reins: Nine cubits long, the traces swept the ground; These to the chariot's polished pole they bound, Then fixed a ring the running reins to guide, And, close beneath, the gathered ends were tied. How does the catalogue contribute to the Panhellenic quality of the work? The issues are addressed and discussion ensues.

HOMER, ILIAD BOOK 24

By finally relenting and restoring Hektor's body to Priam, Achilles obeys the will of the gods and experiences a partial moral rehabilitation. Who saves her infants from the rage of war? Howe'er, by stealth to snatch the corpse away, We will not: Thetis guards it night and day.

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Gathered round her sat the other immortal sea-nymphs while Thetis amidst them mourned her brave son's fate, doomed to die, she knew, on the fertile soil of Troy, far from his native land.

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A rift there was in the ground, where the water, swollen by winter rains, had broken away a part of the road and had hollowed all the place. I am in great grief, and shrink from going in and out among the immortals. What are the limiting factors in Zeus's use of his power and authority? Tell me, be precise about it—how many days do you need to bury Prince Hector? The mules in the lead hauled out the four-wheeled wagon, driven on by seasoned Idaeus.

Iliad Book XXIV book by Homer

Then Tydeus' son turned his single-hooved horses aside and drave on, darting out far in advance of the rest; for Athene put strength in his horses and gave glory to himself. The Iliad, an epic poem attributed to Homer and the oldest extant piece of European literature, is conventionally divided into 24 books.

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