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FREE LANGUAGE-BASED TEACHING STRATEGIES

Student Script*

*Script was created by 11th grade students and has not been edited for clarity

Jamie = **Eurylochus** Joey = **Cyclops** Josie = **Narrator** Jesse = **Odysseus**

Narrator

On Odysseus's adventures, he got thrown around the sea in many different directions. After many delays, he ends up on the island of the Cyclops. A huge monster with one evil eye. Odysseus and his men decide to go up and see what the Cyclops is about. He took his best fighter, Eurylochos, and started his adventure.

Odysseus

Come here Eurylochus your my best fighter so accompany me on my adventure.

Eurylochus

Yes master Odysseus,

Odysseus

Alright let's head up

Narrator:

They traveled up the mountain until they found a vast cavern.

Odysseus:

Who could possibly live in such a gigantic place

Eurylochus(crew):

Hopefully someone with enough food to spare with us, great Odysseus

Narrator:

They went inside to find it empty, except for a rack of cheeses, and pens full of lambs.



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Odysseus:

Alright, let's wait here.

Eurylochus

"Why not take these cheeses, get them stowed, come back, throw open all the pens, and make a run for it? We'll take the lambs aboard. Say we put out again on good salt water!"

Odysseus:

"I refuse. I wish to see the caveman, and what he has to offer."

Eurylochus:

But Odysseus we must continue our Journey home

Narrator:

They lit a fire and took some cheeses to eat and sat in silence around the embers. Eventually, the caveman came back "When he came, he had a load of dry branches on his shoulder to stoke his fire." "When all these chores were done, he poked the fire, heaping on brushwood." In the glare, he saw the men.

Cyclops:

"Strangers, who are you? And where from? What brings you here by seaways- fair traffic? Or are you wandering rogues, who cast your lives like dice, and ravage other folk by sea."

Odysseus:

"We are from Troy. Achaeans, blown off course by shifting gales on the Great South Sea: homeward bound, but taking routes and ways uncommon". "Here we stand beholden for your help, or any gifts you give – as custom is to honor strangers. We would entreat you, great sir, have a care for the god's courtesy"

Cyclops:

I, the almighty Cyclops do not care for your journey and hear of thundering Zeus. I will not let you, or you're friends go.

Eurylochus:

Please, large monster, spare us, we are hungry and lost and we must find our way home.



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Crew:

(walks towards Cyclops) "Please give us food"

Cyclops:

smack!!!!(kills man)

Odysseus:

(starts to weep on my hands and knees.) You bastard!

Eurylochus:

Ahhhh, we must leave Odysseus, he will kill us all

Narrator:

Odysseus realized that they would all be killed if he angered the Cyclops, so he decided to trick him instead.

Odysseus:

"Cyclops, try some wine. Here's liquor to wash down your scapes of men. Taste it, and see the kind of drink we carried under our planks. I mean it as an offering if you would help us home."

Cyclops: *drinks *

Cyclops:

What's your name?

Odysseus:

Approaches the Cyclops with a smirk, "Cyclops you ask my honorable name? Remember the gift you promised me. And I shall tell you. My name is nobody: mother. Father. And friends. Everyone calls me nobody."

Cyclops:

"Oh nobody mmmm nobody" ***Tirely Says*** nobody is *my* meat, then I will eat his friend.

Narrator:

They slowly got the Cyclops drunk until he fell into a deep sleep



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Cyclops:

(drunkenly passed out against the wall) Starts to snore.

Odysseus:

(rummaging through Cyclops stuff) Come here and help me, Eurylokus.

Eurylochus:

Yes Master Odysseus, anything for you

Odysseus:

(picks up strange bottle) Look what I found. It looks like a potion

Eurylochus:

Be careful Odysseus, it may not be safe to eat

Odysseus:

(drinks a potion)

Eurylochus:

OH my gosh Odysseus you're so BIG!!!!

Odysseus:

haha, we found the Cyclops' secret now I can defeat him in battle (walks over and starts to fight FIGHT / Loose / Crew helps/ Right before Cyclops kills Odysseus)

Eurylochus:
(stabs his eye)

Cyclops:

NOBODY IS HURTING ME NOBODY IS HURTING ME(falls to the ground moaning

Odysseus and Eurylokus: (runs out)

Odysseus:

RUN! We can't let the Cyclops catch up.

Odysseus:

Everyone set sail set sail. Get to the boat, set the ship now!



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Odysseus:

Oh Cyclops, how do you like the beating we gave you? Eater of guests, Zeus, and the gods have paid you

Eurylochus:

For god sake, Captain, Why bait the beast again? Leave him alone! He'll smash our timbers and heads together.

Cyclops:

Nobody I will get you!

Odysseus:

(On the ship with his men and start to set sail)

Odysseus:

Cyclops, if ever mortal man inquire, how you were put to shame and blinded, tell him Odysseus, raider of cities, took your eye: Laertes' son, whose home's on Ithaca

Eurylochus:

Odysseus, quit this nonsense now. It was me who hurt the Cyclops not you!

Cyclops:

friend Odysseus hurt me (throws massive boulder and misses.) COME BACK Odysseus, I will treat you well, praying from the god of Earthquake to befriend you- His son I am, for he by his avowal fathered me, and, if he will, he may heal me of this black wound.

Odysseus:

If I could take your life, I would and take your time away, and hurl you down to hell! The god of earthquake, Zeus, could not heal you there!

Cyclops:

(throws paper at the/rock)

Eurylochus:

OUR SHIPS GONNA SINK



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Odysseus:

Worry not we will make it out / Sails away

Narrator:

Going into this adventure, Odysseus thought he was a solo unit and did not need anyone's assistance. This experience proved him wrong. He would not have been able to defeat the Cyclops without the help of his best fighter. This damaged his ego but made him realize that it is okay to rely on others and that he is not the best to exist. This will benefit him in the future and on his future excursions.

