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The Monster in the Cave Quiz

Directions: Read the play *The Monster in the Cave* in the November/December 2015 issue of *Storyworks*. Then fill in the bubble next to the best answer for each question below.

1. Which of the following best describes Odysseus?
Ⓐ bossy
Ⓑ smart
Ⓒ humble
Ⓓ kind

2. Why does Odysseus want to see Polyphemus' cave?
Ⓐ He is on a mission to defeat a Cyclops.
Ⓑ He wants to learn about the Cyclopes and take home gifts.
Ⓒ He is hoping Polyphemus will eat his men.
Ⓓ He feels bad about stealing supplies from Polyphemus' island without permission.

3. Which of the following was NOT part of Odysseus' escape plan?
Ⓐ pretending he was named Nobody to trick the Cyclopes into thinking all was well
Ⓑ poking out Polyphemus' eye
Ⓒ taunting Polyphemus from the sea
Ⓓ riding out of the cave underneath sheep

4. What does *swift* mean in the phrase "Odysseus and his men were praying for a swift and safe journey home . . . "?
Ⓐ quick
Ⓑ relaxing
Ⓒ exciting
Ⓓ healthy

5. As Odysseus sails away in the end, you can infer that Polyphemus feels _____.
Ⓐ angry
Ⓑ annoyed
Ⓒ heartbroken
Ⓓ weak

6. Which line from the story supports the answer to question 5?
Ⓐ "Ahhh! My eye! What have you done?! I'm blind! I'm blind!"
Ⓑ ". . . why are you the last to leave my cave today? Is it because you know your master has lost his eye?"
Ⓒ "The monster no longer has his eye, but he still has his ears."
Ⓓ "Avenge me, great Poseidon! Grant that Odysseus never reaches his home alive!"

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