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### Oil Lamp Project

The Oil Lamp assignment is worth fifty points and you have two options to complete it.

You can come to the library special collections department on the third floor during scheduled lamp work times during the semester for a total of four hours. The scheduled work times for the rest of the semester are: Wednesday, October 12 from 2:00 - 4:00 PM, Wednesday October 19 from 1:00 - 3:00 PM, October 26 from 1:00 - 3:00, November 3 from 2:00 - 4:00 PM, November 10 from 1:00 - 3:00 PM, November 16 from 1:00 - 3:00, and November 30 from 1:00 - 3:00. You can drop in and leave any time during these time blocks as your schedule allows.

If you cannot make these times in the library, you can also earn the points for this assignment by helping create a catalog of references to artificial light in Homer's Odyssey.

You will need to complete the following steps to complete this version of the assignment:

First, let me know that you will be completing the alternate assignment and I will assign you a book from the Odyssey to read. The books that are already taken are listed below. You can request a specific book of the Odyssey - I will assign them on a first-come-first-served basis.

Second, you will read your book of the Odyssey and look for passages where artificial sources of light are described.

Third, you will create a discussion board thread where you will write a 500 word description of the events described in your book of the Odyssey.

Fourth, you will write a 100-200 word description of any passages in that book where artificial light sources (lamps, fires, a glow created by the gods, etc) are mentioned in the wiki. You will need to explain what is happening in the story when the light is mentioned, describe the nature of the artificial source of light, and describe whether the light source is essential to the setting or simply an incidental description. If artificial light is not mentioned in your book, you can simply note this.

Fifth, you will check back in with me to be assigned one of your classmate's postings to proofread. You will need to read their section of the Odyssey and confirm that they have correctly summarized the events in the book and correctly identified all of the descriptions of artificial light in a reply to their discussion board post.

Your initial write-up of your book of the Odyssey is due by Friday, November 18th at 11:59 PM and your peer comments are due by 11:59 on December 7th.



## **Lamp Project Discussion Board**