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The Rams

"I will have my revenge, I will have my revenge!"
 Polyphemus repeats, lost in the cave he can no longer see.

Arms outstretched, he slowly regains his bearings. He brushes against the pen of his rams. He hesitates, changes direction, takes a few steps forward. Finally, he finds the exit and removes the rock blocking the entrance. The cool night air soothes his pain. He sighs, groans, complains, then, exhausted, he sits on the threshold, blocking the passage with his massive legs.

He wants to punish these Greeks, slaughter them all, devour them! That's all he thinks about. To do so, he must catch them because, for sure, they'll try to escape.

He's right. Odysseus looks for a way to flee, and he finds one, because the king of a thousand tricks is never short of ideas.

He signals his companions to follow him, silently. The Cyclops cannot see them, but he can hear them. Caution is key!

Take notes of the most important information from the text!

*Your notes can be
 Mindmap
 Table
 Drawing, etc.*





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Odysseus approaches the rams, beautiful animals with thick wool. He strokes them to calm them. Then he ties them together, three by three, with reeds he finds on the ground. He then ties one of his men under the belly of the middle ram, so that the rams on the left and right completely hide him. But is this enough? Odysseus hopes that the Cyclops's probing fingers won't find them.

He does this with all his companions.

Finally, to save himself, he slips under the largest ram. He grabs its thick fleece with both hands and stays there, suspended.

Now they must wait quietly for the flock to leave for the pastures.

At dawn, the animals stir and bleat energetically. They want to leave. Polyphemus then realizes that a new day is rising. Moreover, he feels the warmth of the first rays of the sun on his skin a sun he will never see again. How sad it is to be blind!

He pushes his flock out of the cave, feeling the backs of his animals along the way to make sure his prisoners aren't using the opportunity to escape.

But he doesn't notice the Greeks, so well hidden. He is, however, surprised that the largest of his rams is the last to leave.

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"Lazy, why are you dragging this morning?" he scolds it.
"You usually leave first..."

Ah! I understand, you too are angry with that little man.
Is that it? Don't worry, Nobody will be punished. He's
going to die, believe me, him and all his companions."

Odysseus shudders when he hears this. He grips the thick
fleece even more tightly. He holds his breath. After one
last stroke, Polyphemus lets the ram and his worst enemy
pass.