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Reading

Weeks 1 through 8: Three books of the *Odyssey* per week in sequence
Week 9: *Brothers Karamazov*, Books 1 and 2
Week 10: *BK*, Books 3 and 4
Week 11: *BK*, Book 5
Week 12: *BK*, Books 6-7
Week 13: *BK*, Books 8-9
Week 14: *BK*, Books 10-11
Week 15: *BK*, Book 12 and Epilogue

Paper

A paper of at least 1500 words is due on any aspect of the *Odyssey* by October 14, and of *The Brothers Karamazov* by December 3. In all cases be sure to know the text and cite it accurately, have a thesis, defend it well, and show mastery of the elements of composition. Consult the LS Writing Standards (to be distributed). Students aspiring to an A should submit papers of no less than 2000 words. Late work subject to penalty.

Final Exam

A comprehensive essay-exam will be distributed a week before its due date.

Grades

The two papers and the exam will each count for a third of your grade.

Attendance

Three absences are permitted, after which I will deduct a grade from a paper for each absence. *Use your three absences wisely.*

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