

Moments of Persuasion in *The Odyssey*

The poet tries to persuade the Muses to help make his story good
Odysseus tries to persuade everyone that the gods are unnecessary
The Greeks persuade the Trojans that the war is over
Odysseus tries to convince his men not to eat the Lotus plant
Odysseus tries to convince his men to bypass Thrinacia
Eurylochus tries to persuade Odysseus to sail away from Circe's island
Odysseus convinces Polyphemus to eat him last
Polyphemus convinces his dad, Poseidon, to bring wrath on Odysseus
Athena tries to convince Odysseus not to go straight home
Penelope tries to persuade the suitors that Odysseus is alive
The suitors try to get Penelope to decide on one of them
King Alcinous persuades Odysseus to tell him the whole story
Hermes convinces Odysseus to take steps to resist Circe's magic
Odysseus convinces the Cyclops to drink more wine
Aeolus convinces Odysseus not to open the bag of wind until it's time
Odysseus's crew beg Odysseus to drive the Cyclopes' kids and lambs aboard the ship
Odysseus begs Circe to let his men go home
One of Odysseus's crew tries to convince Odysseus not to explore Circe's island
Athena urges Odysseus to visit his faithful swineherd
Athena tries to convince Telemachus to return home
Athena urges Telemachus to see the swineherd for a night on his way home
Odysseus tries to persuade Polyphemus to go get supplies
Odysseus tries to convince his crew not to eat the sun god's cattle
Penelope tries to get the suitors out of her house
Odysseus convinces Circe that he is dangerous
The suitors persuade Telemachus to leave home (and go look for his father)
Circe tries to convince Odysseus to succumb to her enchanted potion
Odysseus tries to persuade the gods to hear him
King Alcinous persuades Odysseus to reveal his identity
Odysseus persuades the Cyclops that his name is "Nohbody"
Polyphemus tries to convince his neighbors that he has been attacked by a mortal
Odysseus's crew try to persuade him to stop yelling at Polyphemus
Odysseus urges his men to keep rowing, even though they're being eaten by Scylla
Odysseus directs the crew to sail towards the Sirens
Circe convinces Odysseus to stay with her
Calypso persuades Odysseus to stay with her on the island
Calypso tries to convince Odysseus to stay with her forever
Odysseus persuades Calypso that he needs to go home
Odysseus persuades his men to wait in the cave for the shepherd to return
Odysseus persuades the Cyclops to get drunk
Odysseus persuades his men to help him burn the eye of the Cyclops
Odysseus persuades Telemachus to wait for revenge until the time is right
Penelope persuades the suitors to wait for her decision until she finishes weaving
Penelope persuades the suitors to have a contest to see who gets to marry her
Polyphemus tries to convince Odysseus that he is stronger than the gods

Odysseus convinces Penelope that he's an old, old suitor
Odysseus convinced the lords to hear him
The suitors try to persuade Penelope that her husband is dead
The suitors try to persuade Telemachus that his father is dead
Odysseus persuades his men to row their boat toward Scylla
Odysseus convinces Calypso to help him build a raft
Zeus persuades Calypso to let Odysseus go
Circe tries to convince Odysseus' men to come in and eat
Eumaeus convinces Odysseus that he is loyal
Circe convinces Odysseus about all the things he will have to do to get past the Sirens
Odysseus persuades his crew to put wax in their ears
Circe convinces Odysseus that his men will all die
Odysseus persuades his men that they will survive
The Sirens try to convince Odysseus to come closer
Odysseus convinces his men to go on to the next challenge even when some of them have already died
Argos tries to convince himself that his master will return
Odysseus convinces his crew to tie him to the mast
Odysseus tries to tell his crew to untie him from the mast
Odysseus convinces Telemachus that he is Odysseus
Odysseus convinces the swineherd and cowherd, his two old faithful friends, that he is truly Odysseus
Odysseus persuades servants to let the women know they should stay in their rooms, no matter what
Polyphemus tries to persuade Odysseus to come back
Penelope persuades the suitors to let Odysseus shoot the bow
Penelope tries to get the suitors out of her house
Circe persuades Odysseus that her advice will help him get home
Odysseus tells Telemachus not to tell anyone that he's back
Odysseus persuades Eumaeus and the cowherd to lock all the doors
Odysseus tries to convince Apollo to help him make the shot (with his bow and arrow)
Eurymachus tries to convince Odysseus that Antinous was the ringleader
Eurymachus tries to convince Odysseus that Antinous led them to pillage the house
Eurymachus tries to get all the others to rush Odysseus and kill him
Eurymachus tries to bribe Odysseus not to kill him by offering riches
Telemachus convinces his father to let him go and get armor for them to fight with
Athena persuades Odysseus to fight more
Odysseus makes everyone believe he's an old man