



Key Land of Myth – Homer's Odyssey RPG characters

Characters and common English pronunciation of their ancient Greek names:

Telemachos: (Τηλέμαχος) Tell **EH** ma koss

Trickster; son of Odysseus, King of Ithaca (Odysseus was famous for his cleverness and trickery)

Ctimene: (Κτιμένη) Kti **MEH** nay (It's not you! Saying KT is hard for English speakers)

Warrior; queen of Same (**SAH** may); younger sister of Odysseus / aunt of Telemachos

Her warrior status is unusual for a Homeric female, so this is an innovation within the game
(Mentioned in *Odyssey* book 15.363)

Peisistratos: (Πεισίστρατος) Pay **SIS** tra toss

Warrior; son of King Nestor of Pylos

(Mentioned in *Odyssey* book 3.37)

Halitherses: (Ἀλιθέρσης) Hal ih **THURR** sees

Seer; an Ithacan prophet who interprets signs and omens

(Mentioned in *Odyssey* book 2.158)

Phemia: (Φήμια) **FEE** me ah (an invented character)

Trickster; her name is based on the word for speech and rumor/fame, Φήμη.

She is assumed to be a faithful member of Odysseus's household

- Phemius (Φήμιος) is a bard in Ithaca. (For him, the "speech" root connects to his sung words, for her, to manipulating speech. The two are not related.

Theoris: Thee **OR** iss (an invented character)

Sorceress from Thessaly, an area known for centaurs and witchcraft

- θεωροί (usually generalized as male) were official spectators at religious events and witnesses of special sights and spectacles; as individual pilgrims they hoped for insight from a divinity

Seven Thebes sometimes uses the transliterated Greek rather than Latinized spelling of names, for example Kyklopes instead of Cyclopes. Using the common English pronunciations is fine:

Cyclopes: **SIGH** clope eaze.