

Model Situation

You are the producer for the *Survivor* television series and are working on a show that will star both Odysseus from *The Odyssey* and Nick from *Running Out of Summer*. Your job is to choose a setting that would provide challenges for both characters. Support your choice of setting with examples from the texts.

Possible Response

The best setting for a *Survivor* series for both Odysseus and Nick would be a shipwreck. Odysseus survives a shipwreck: as Homer states, "Zeus let fly/ a bolt against the ship, a direct hit All that night I drifted" (12. 340-46). In a similar way, Nick survives the rapids of Badger Creek. As he and Maria ride the rapids, "Their knuckles and fingers were white as they clung to the ropes" (Morgan 245).