

**Invocation Assignment:**

Name:

In *The Odyssey*, Homer invokes, or calls, to the muse for inspiration and information in telling the tale of Odysseus' adventures. In the invocation (the first 16 lines) he: establishes characters, setting, and outlines the major events of the plot.

Your task is to create an invocation to the muses that sets up your own "hero's journey" of high school or your life so far. Remember, this can be a literal journey or a metaphorical one. Be creative!

**You must include:**

1. Start with "Sing in me, Muse, and through me tell the story"
2. At least 15 lines
3. A call to the muses or a muse
4. At least two epithets Ex.: "Sparkling-eyed Athena" "Odysseus, the master tactician"
5. References to setting
6. References to characters
7. Enough information that I can deduce the main events of your tale
8. End with "Of these adventures, Muse, daughter of Zeus, tell us in our time, lift the great song again"

**Student Example:**

Sing in me, Muse, and through me tell the story  
of a curious girl, looking for adventure  
The overachiever, seeking a 4.0 GPA  
trying to keep up with her older siblings, The elders  
Tired of the same old daily routine  
wanting to do anything besides going to school  
Running faster and faster to avoid disaster  
setting more expectations upon herself  
Having the urge to achieve a personal record with every race  
disappointed if she does not  
Coach sees potential with every race  
if only she could see that in herself

School lacks adventure

the teachers assign homework as if the students don't have a life

Having to find a new place to eat lunch without getting yelled at by Caples

The watcher, observing every step you take

Having to be careful to not walk under a leak in the ceiling

Trying to breathe in a room of 30 kids that was made for only 20

Shoving through the cram-packed halls to find your cram-packed classroom

The overachiever seeks adventure

however with every day that passes, it seems like she may never find it

Of these adventures, Muse, daughter of Zeus,

tell us in our time, lift the great song again.