

# Test Your Epic IQ

- 1 Arms, and the man I sing, who, forc'd by fate,  
And haughty Juno's unrelenting hate,  
Expell'd and exil'd, left the Trojan shore.
- 2 Of Man's First Disobedience and the Fruit  
Of that Forbidden Tree....
- 3 Dhritaraashtra said: O Sanjaya, assembled in the holy field of Kurukshetra  
and eager to fight, what did my people and the Paandavas do?
- 4 Tell me, Muse, about the man of many turns, who many  
Ways wandered when he had sacked Troy's holy citadel.
- 5 It is my desire, it is my wish  
to set out to sing, to begin to recite  
to let a song of our clan glide on, to sing a family lay.
- 6 So. The Spear-Danes in days gone by  
and the kings who ruled them had courage and greatness.  
We have heard of those princes' heroic campaigns.
- 7 Arms are my theme, and those matchless heroes  
Who from Portugal's western shores  
By oceans where none had ventured  
Voyaged....
- 8 Anger be now your song, Immortal one,  
Akhilleus anger, doomed and ruinous  
That caused the Akhaians loss on bitter loss....

#### ANSWERS

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