“Cattle of the Sun God” Questions

Directions: Answer using complete sentences and the question stem.

1. During which of his adventures do you think Odysseus acts more heroically? Explain.
2. What does Eurylochus say to persuade Odysseus’ men to slaughter and eat the cattle of Helios, the sun god?
3. What is Zerus’ response to Helios’ demand for revenge?
4. How does Odysseus manage to escape death?
5. Do the men obey Eurylochus because his speech is more persuasive than Odysseus’ or because Odysseus is not present to stop them? Give reasons for your opinion.
6. What impression of the gods do you get from the conference between Helios and Zeus?
7. Tell why you do or do not think that the punishment Zeus inflicts on the men is the right one for their offense.