**Homer and the Oral Tradition Multimedia Activity 4.4**

CLAS 160B1: In the Beginning

Based on the documentary, how does epic oral poetry work? Basically, how are people able to tell such long stories over and over getting the details the same each time?

What similarities do you see between the epic oral poetry of antiquity (and early modernity like in the documentary) and modern hip hop? Are they doing the same thing? Are they doing it in the same way? Are the goals the same? Is the content the same?

What differences do you see between epic oral poetry and modern hip hop? Consider some of the same questions as above.

Is there anything else in pop culture that you think might be a better comparison to the epic oral poetry of antiquity? Why or why not?