

After Odysseus left Troy, the wind blew his twelve ships to the land of Cicones.



Odysseus and his men tried to plunder the city for supplies for their journey, but the Ciconians fought back. They gathered their weapons and threw Odysseus and his men back into the sea.

Many days later they arrived on an island where the people ate magical lotus fruits. The Lotus Eaters gave these fruits to Odysseus's men and they fell under a spell straightaway.

No sooner had they tried the fruits, they forgot who they were, where they had come from, their families, everything.

Luckily, Odysseus didn't eat any and when he saw that his men were in danger, he tied them up with strong ropes and took them back to their ships.

