The Odyssey Words to Know SkillBuilder

Instructions: Each of the following sentences suggests a word in the word list. The word itself is hidden in the sentence. Underline the hidden word and then write it on the line. An example, using another word from the epic poem, has been done for you.

Example: He’s not only fierce, he’s huge! His doctor must have put him on steroids or another muscle-building drug! ________________________________

1. I must plead with you not to give the children treats after they have brushed their teeth. Please do as I ask! ________________________________

2. When I saw him, I had an urge to call out, “Hey, good-looking!” Then I did it without stopping to think. What came over me? ________________________________

3. Although my mother is now in heaven, George will pay for what he did to her. I swear I’ll make sure of that! ________________________________

4. Don’t stand by unconcerned while evil triumphs. Although types of sin differ, entirely too many people fail to realize that just not caring can be wicked in itself. ________________________________

Decide which word from the word list belongs in each numbered blank. Then write the word on the blank line on the right.

When I learned what my foe was called
I must confess I was ______________5______________.
It scared me that “Bone Crushing Harry”
Was to be my ______________6______________.
For it seemed a clue to me
Of how ______________7______________ he’d be.

You must be nuts! No. I ______________8______________
Your plan of strolling in the rain.

Elephants never perform a ballet
For, as the wisest of elephants say,
Leaping and twirling are part of the dance,
And ______________9______________ elephants haven’t a chance.

Her ______________10______________ is so successful; she’s so clever
That I fall for every trick she thinks of, whatever.