

Ohio Odyssey Plot Events and Symbol Suggestions

Beginning Events (Exposition):

- A meteor falls to earth.
 - Symbol – meteor or burning rock

The Big Problem (Conflict):

- A giant serpent comes out of the meteor and threatens to eat Earth.
 - Symbol – snake
- The snake eats a boulder, a cave, and a mountain and continues eating more of the earth.
 - Symbol – mountain with a piece missing as if a mouth bit out a chunk

Rising Action/Middle Steps/Events on the way to solving the problem:

- Johnny uses a golden apple given him by the “ancient people” to signal that he needs help.
 - Symbol – golden apple
- Mike Fink arrives and is sent through time to pick up the other Buckeye Heroes and some of their helpers.
 - Symbol - keelboat
- Mike grabs the snake by the throat to keep it from swallowing any more of the Earth.
 - Symbol – close up of a hand around a snake’s neck
- Cy Gatton and Harriet Beecher Stowe (Hattie) build a fake giant snakehead very quickly.
 - Symbol – hammer or hammer and nails
- Annie Oakley tries to shoot the snake but the bullets do not pierce the snake’s skin.
 - Symbol – bullet
- Jesse Owens creates a whirlwind to rob the snake of air to breathe.
 - Symbol – tornado cloud
- Jesse Owens chases lightening from the sky to strike the snake.
 - Symbol – lightening bolt
- Johnny Appleseed’s bear and Mike Fink both bite the snake in the neck and the snake shrinks.
 - Symbol - bear
- The snake is blinded.
 - Annie Oakley loads her gun with war paint, and has Neil Armstrong’s giant eagle fly her near the snake’s head so she can shoot the paint at the snake’s eyes.
 - Symbol - eagle
 - Hattie (Harriett Beecher Stowe) frees her unruly book and gives it ink to help blind the snake.
 - Symbol - book
 - Johnny uses his apple and Cy uses his shiny, bald head to help blind the snake.
 - Symbol – bald head

Climax

- Jesse tricks the snake into thinking that the fake snakehead now attached to its tail is a rival snake.
 - Symbol – snakehead

Ending Events (Resolution)

- The giant snake attacks his own tail and devours himself in one bite.
 - Symbol – snake tail
- The heroes agree that teamwork is a good thing.
 - Symbol – seven interlocking rings (something like the Olympic Rings)
- The heroes return to their own times.
 - Symbol - clock