

Myths and Legends from Ancient Greece and Around the World

Vocabulary words from each story

“Mother Earth and her Children”

Chaos, concoct, nymphs, trident, vowed

“Zeus and the Creation of Man”

afterthought, forethought, forge, nobler, rash

“Persephone”

cease, conspired, pact, radiant, vain

“The Golden Fleece”

Libation, plight, rites, solemn, valiant

“Chariot of the Sun God: “The Story of Phaeton and Helios”

besieged, careened, crimson, salve, smoldering

“Daedalus”

Architect, bewildering, devoured, ingenious, observe

“Orpheus and Eurydice”

Dappled, enveloped, saga, soothed, venom

“Echo and Narcissus”

Companion, compelled, mock, spurned, wrath

“Perseus”

Immortal, oracle, prophecy, reconciled, spectator

“Theseus and the Minotaur”

Acknowledged, dismal, garments, stalwart, stealthy

**Practice with vocabulary words from
Myths and Legends from Ancient Greece**

Directions: Choose the best word to complete each sentence. Write the word in the blank.

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1. Poseidon's _____ has long been his most important symbol; many people don't know he also gave horses to humanity.
2. I hadn't cleaned my room up in a couple of weeks, and it was starting to be a scene of _____ in there.
3. Rhea and Zeus _____ against Cronus to remove him from power.
4. I was glad I had the _____ to bring an umbrella when it started to rain.
5. Baby Zeus was raised by _____ and shepherds on the island of Crete.
6. The blizzard started in the morning; the snow did not _____ until the next day.
7. The newly-crowned Miss America had a _____ smile as she walked down the runway.
8. The soldier earned a medal for her _____ actions during combat.
9. He had promised to watch the Barbie movie with his little sister, and now he had to do it: Jason really regretted his _____ words.
10. Most _____, such as baptisms, weddings, and funerals, are solemn events.
11. The diplomats worked through the night to _____ a peace plan for their nations.
12. After the disaster with Mark, Maria _____ she would never go on a blind date again.
13. Demeter searched for Persephone in _____; she was hidden in the Underworld.
14. Jack tossed the Pepto-Bismol in the picnic basket as a/an _____, but he was glad he had them when everyone got sick.
15. No one smiled when the doctor announced that the governor had died; everyone in the room was very _____.
16. Lee likes to _____ new recipes when he fixes supper.
17. Instead of sacrificing an animal, the ancient Greeks sometimes poured a _____ to the gods.
18. An honest person is considered _____ than someone who lies.
19. The Red Cross workers were concerned with the _____ of the refugees in Ethiopia.
20. Fifteen nations signed the treaty called the "The _____ to End the Spread of Nuclear Weapons."