

English 10 (Pre-AP) Mythology Project

Creative retelling of a myth

DUE upon your return to school_____

1. Choose a classical Greek or Roman myth. Make a photocopy of the myth and **record where you found it (page numbers from Edith Hamilton's *Mythology*)**. Read, highlight and make notes on your printout in order to complete the tasks below.
2. **Summarize** the story in 7-10 bullet points. Bullet points should briefly explain the most significant moments in the myth.
3. Analyze these **7-10 significant moments** in the story by answering the question: *what does this teach us about the people who created the myth?* In other words, for each summary bullet you should have **1-2 sentences that tell one specific thing it teaches us about the people who created it**.
Example:

Significant Moment: *Romulus and Remus are raised by a wolf.*

Analysis: *This tells us that the romans valued wolf-like qualities of courage, aggression, and fighting skills.*

4. Now that you are an expert on your chosen myth, you are going to **retell the myth** in your own creative way. Your 7-10 significant moment bullets will help you to retell the story. You may set the myth in modern times, but you do not have to. Choose one of the following ways of retelling the myth:
 - rewrite the myth in a modern setting
 - make a comic strip with pictures and words
 - Write the myth in the form of a poem or song lyrics
 - Make a movie with people or claymation
 - Rewrite the myth with yourself as a character
 - Take a series of photos, print and label them
 - Create a painting or drawing of the most important moment in the myth – make sure you can say why you chose this moment.
 - o OR -
 - Invent your own way to creatively retell you myth

Your final packet should include a printed copy of your myth (with citation), steps 2 and 3 typed, and your creative project.