

Introduction to Greek Mythology

What is Greek Mythology?

- Greek Mythology is a collection of _____ and _____ that Greeks used to explain their world.
- Although we now view these stories as _____, the Greeks believed them to be _____

What do you know about Greek mythology?

- _____ and Pantheon (A temple dedicated to worshipping the 12 Olympian gods)
- Gods interact with _____, take sides in _____, etc.
- Humans _____ the gods (often a particular one most of all) and give them _____ of burnt meat.
- Gods were very _____/had _____/were often _____

The Greeks and Their Beliefs

- The Greeks were “a tough, restless, hard-living, _____ race”
- The Greeks loved _____
- They believed in living life to the _____, because _____ was going to happen whether you wanted it to or not.
- The only response to death was to make a _____ in the world. Be a legend....be grandiose (grand, bigger than life)
- The Greeks had many _____. **(Polytheistic)**
- Because the _____ gods mirrored the Greeks, they were heavily _____
- They were quarrelsome, _____, jealous, _____ (like to get revenge), spiteful, _____ deities (supreme beings).
- Because the Greeks focused on being grandiose, the Olympian gods were mostly portrayed as physically _____, beautiful and _____
- The same applies to the _____ (humans with great, god-like qualities) in their legends and _____

The World According to the Greeks

- Both good and _____ comes from the gods
- Heroes and _____ come from the gods
- This idea has influenced all _____ that came after
- Many of the _____ that are portrayed in the myths are between _____ members