

Greek Mythology Review Guide

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Fill the answers on this *review sheet* as they come up in class. All answers may not be found until the unit is completed. Keep this guide until the test so that you have all the information in one handy place.

For the following words determine which god the word was derived from and what the word means.

WORD	GOD	DEFINITION OF WORD
Jovial:	<u>Zeus</u>	<u>Happy</u>
Cereal:	<u>Demeter</u>	<u>Grain Food</u>
Volcano:	<u>Hephaestus</u>	<u>Erupt with Fire</u>
Mercurial:	<u>Hermes</u>	<u>Quick Changing</u>
Fatal:	<u>Fates</u>	<u>Causes Death</u>
Iris:	<u>Iris</u>	<u>Eye Part----Flower</u>
Music/Museum:	<u>Muses</u>	<u>Collection of Arts</u>
June:	<u>Hera</u>	<u>Month of marriage</u>
Mind:	<u>Athena</u>	<u>Your Thinker</u>
March:	<u>Ares</u>	<u>War Walk</u>

- What 'thing' existed before any gods?
CHAOS
- Who were the first two gods (parents of all)? (what other names could they go by)
GAEA & URANUS
- Who were the first children of Gaea and Uranus?
Second set? **CYCLOPS**
Third set? **TITANS**
UGLY GIANTS
- Draw 'stick figure' pictures of each of the following and label who is who. Make the appropriate size differences between the different groups.
Man, Titan, Olympian, Cyclops, 50-headed monster.

Small BIG BIG BIGGER BIGGEST
- What were the Cyclops better at than any other creature?
MAKING METAL WEAPONS
- Where did Uranus put his children that he did not like?
TARTARUS (UNDERGROUND PIT)
- Where did the Titans live while they ruled; where did the Olympians live during *their* rule?
MOUNT OLYMPUS
- Who were the Titans?
How many Titans were there originally? **TWELVE**
Who did the males take as their wives? **THE SISTERS**
THE "NORMAL" GODS
- Why did Gaea want Uranus to be overthrown?
WANTED ALL HER KIDS RETURNED
- Who overthrew Uranus and took his power?
What weapon did he use and how did he do it? **CHRONOS**
SCYTHE
- What was Chronos' greatest fear as leader of the gods? Why?
OVERTHROWN BY KIDS. BECAUSE OF "THE CURSE"

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- What precautions did Chronos take to keep his children from overthrowing him?
Why not just kill them? **SWALLOWED THEM**
THEY WERE IMMORTAL
- What two ingredients did Prometheus use to make the first race of man?
CLAY AND WATER
- Why was Gaea unhappy with Chronos once he took power?
DIDN'T RELEASE UGLY KIDS FROM TARTARUS
- How did Rhea manage to save Zeus from suffering the same fate as his siblings?
FED ZEUS A ROCK
- How did Zeus manage to free his siblings from where they were trapped? **USED POTION**
Why did he use that method? **PUKING THEM UP WOULDN'T HURT 'EM**
- What two sides formed during this battle?
TITANS VS. OLYMPIANS
- In the beginning of the battle why could neither side gain the upper hand and win?
IMMORTAL -> NEITHER SIDE COULD DIE
- Who was the king/leader of the Olympians?
ZEUS
- Who was the king/leader of the Titans? **CHRONOS**
Who was the General in the Titan army? **ATLAS**
- Who did Zeus talk to so that he could get some 'secret weapons'? **GAEA (EARTH)**
Who helped him understand the message? **PROMETHEUS**
WHO were the new 'weapons' that Zeus got? **CYCLOPS**
What did the monsters have to agree to after the war? **HIDE THEIR UGLY SELVES**
- The Cyclops created three 'super weapons' for the brothers leading the Olympians.
Name and describe each weapon.
Zeus: **LIGHTNING BOLT**
Poseidon: **TRIDENT** **BIG FORK THING**
Hades: **INVISIBILITY HELMET**
- What god switched sides during the war? **PROMETHEUS**
Who did he take with him? **EPIMETHEUS**
Who did he try to take but wouldn't go? **ATLAS**
Why did he want to change sides? **COULD SEE THE FUTURE**
- Who won this Great War of the heavens?
ZEUS
- What happened to mankind DURING this war?
SQUISHED, DESTROYED AND DIED
- What happened to the other "losing" Titans after the war?
PUNISHED IN TARTARUS
- What was Atlas's punishment after the war? Why was his punishment different?
HOLD UP THE HEAVENS -> B/C HE WAS TITAN GENERAL

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28. Do gods feel pain? Can they die?

YES. NO.

29. Describe the kingdom ruled by each Olympian brother.

Poseidon: **UNDERWATER**

Hades: **UNDERGROUND**

Zeus: **ABOVE GROUND**

30. What was the OFFICIAL name of the land Hades ruled? What was its nickname?

HADES UNDERWORLD

31. Who is the god of promises and sworn oaths? What form did she take?

STYX RIVER

32. Name and describe the three fates.

1. **CLOTHO PULLS OUT THE STRING**

2. **LACHESIS MEASURES THE STRING**

3. **ATROPOS CUTS THE STRING**

33. Who were the muses? How many were there?

INSPIRED ARTISTS NINE

34. Name and describe the TWO messengers of the gods.

1. **HERMES - WINGS** 2. **IRIS - RAINBOW**

35. Who was the God of Victory?

NIKE

36. How many thrones are there on Mt. Olympus? **12**

Name the gods who sit on them.

ZEUS POSEIDON ARES ARTEMIS APHRODITE DIONYSUS
HERA DEMETER HEPHAESTUS APOLLO ATHENA HERMES

37. Who were the first SIX Olympians born? (The ones Chronos swallowed)

ZEUS HERA POSEIDON HADES DEMETER HESTIA

38. Which Olympians are **direct** sons or daughters of ZEUS?

ARES HEPHAESTUS ARTEMIS APOLLO ATHENIAN HERMES
DIONYSUS

39. Which of the Olympians were twins? **ARTEMIS-APOLLO**

Why were they considered twins? **SUN-MOON**

40. Which Olympian sprang fully-grown from Zeus's head when he had a headache? **ATHENA**

41. Which Olympian was born when pieces of Uranus splashed into the sea and is not said to have parents? (Also is the wife of Hephaestus) **APHRODITE**

42. Which Olympian is the only to be deformed and not 'perfect'? **HEPHAESTUS**

How did it happen? **ZEUS THREW IT OUT WINDOW**

43. Which Olympian gave up her seat so that Dionysus could become an Olympian? **HESTIA**

44. Which Olympian is the god of wine and merry-making? **DIONYSUS**

45. What method did the gods use for mortals to vote to see who the most popular was among man? What god was most popular?

SACRIFICES ZEUS

46. If Hades is a god, then why did he have to ask Zeus's permission to kidnap his own wife?

ZEUS WAS IN CONTROL OF THE LAND AND TITANS

47. If Hades wife had been a sea-nymph whom would have had to ask? That that god?

POSEIDON. HE CONTROLS WATER.

48. Why did Apollo not interfere with the kidnapping of Persephone when he saw it happen?

HADES HAD ZEUS'S PERMISSION

49. Describe Prometheus's brother, Epimetheus.

DUMB AND BIT SLOW-WITTED

50. Who created the second age of man (the story of men and animals being made)?

EPIMETHEUS

51. What mistake was made during this creation process?

MANKIND WAS MADE LAST

52. What TWO things did Prometheus show man how to do? **FIRE & SACRIFICES**

53. How did Zeus get tricked on sacrifices? **CHOSE SHINY, NASTY FAT PILE**

54. Why did Zeus not want humans to have fire? **POINTY WEAPONS AND BURN THE WORLD DOWN**

55. How did Zeus punish Prometheus for helping the humans? **CHAINED TO MOUNTAIN, SKIN BURNT BY SUN, EAGLE ATE HIS LIVER**

How long was this to last? **FOREVER**

Why did he not die? **IMMORTAL**

56. What question did Zeus ask Prometheus to answer before he would be freed?

Why wouldn't he answer? **MOTHER OF WHO WOULD OVERTHROW HIM. MEANT HER DEATH AND HE WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE**

57. Why did Prometheus choose the path of being tortured over being put in prison when he switched sides during the war?

HELP MANKIND

58. Who did Zeus have created as a punishment to mankind for having fire? **PANDORA**

Describe this gift. **BEAUTIFUL WOMAN**

What was her ONLY true downfall? **CURIOSITY**

Which god did Zeus give this 'gift' to? **EPIMETHEUS**

59. Describe how Pandora managed to unleash 'evil' upon the world. **OPENED A TRICK BOX**

Was Pandora evil *herself*? **NO**

Explain. **SHE WAS JUST CURIOUS**

64. Draw a picture of how the Greeks believed the earth and sky were shaped.

What was the name of the ocean in the middle?

What was it called that?

