



ELA Virtual Learning

8th Grade/ELA Title

May 18, 2020



Lesson: May 18, 2020

Objective/Learning Target:

I can read and make inferences.






WARM UP

Mythology:

What do you know about
Greek Gods and Goddesses?

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The answers are on the next
slide.

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|  | ??? | The most powerful god. He sends thunderbolts to earth to keep the people in order. |
|  | ??? | He is Zeus' brother and god of the sea. Seamen revered him. |
|  | ??? | He is the brother of Zeus. God of the underworld and has a 3 headed dog called Cerberus. |
|  | ??? | The goddess of love and beauty. She was born from the sea foam. |
|  | ??? | Hera's sister and the goddess of marriage and domestic life. |

WARM UP

Answers

To learn more about other Greek Gods and Goddesses, [check out this link!](#)

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|  | Poseidon | He is Zeus' brother and god of the sea. Seamen revered him. |
|  | Hades | He is the brother of Zeus. God of the underworld and has a 3 headed dog called Cerberus. |
|  | Aphrodite | The goddess of love and beauty. She was born from the sea foam. |
|  | Hestia | Hera's sister and the goddess of marriage and domestic life. |

LEARN

Mythology:

The magical, pretend world of the ancient Greek gods was a world full of...

- Bickering
- Challenges
- Jealousies
- Fights
- Punishment
- Love

Many Greek myths were based on the fact that gods, like mortal men, could be punished or rewarded for their actions. They could fall in love. They could get angry. *And they could get even!* Myths were often used to explain why things occurred.

LEARNING Continued

- The ancient Greek storytellers traveled from village to village, telling stories about the ancient Greek gods.
- These stories are called **myths** (short for mythology, or stories about gods.)
- Each storyteller changed the myths a bit to fit their audience and their own imagination, but whatever power and personality a god had was consistent no matter who was telling the story.
- For example, Zeus was always king of the gods, and only Zeus could throw lightning bolts.



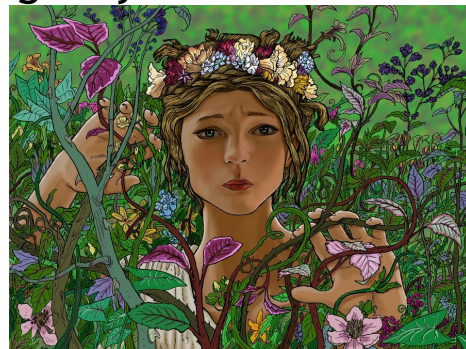
PRACTICE WITH INDEPENDENT WORK

Open this link: [Echo](#). It contains three short myths that you will use for the next few slides.

Read the story of “Echo and Hera.” Answer the following questions:

1. “Spotting Echo, he asked her to help him escape the eagle eye of his wife.” The phrase eagle eye most likely means
 - a. She was half goddess/half eagle.
 - b. She watched and noticed nearly everything.
 - c. She wore an eagle eye necklace.
 - d. She was difficult to escape.

2. “One did not turn down a request from Zeus, not and live to tell about it.” What can you infer from this sentence?



Independent Practice Answers...

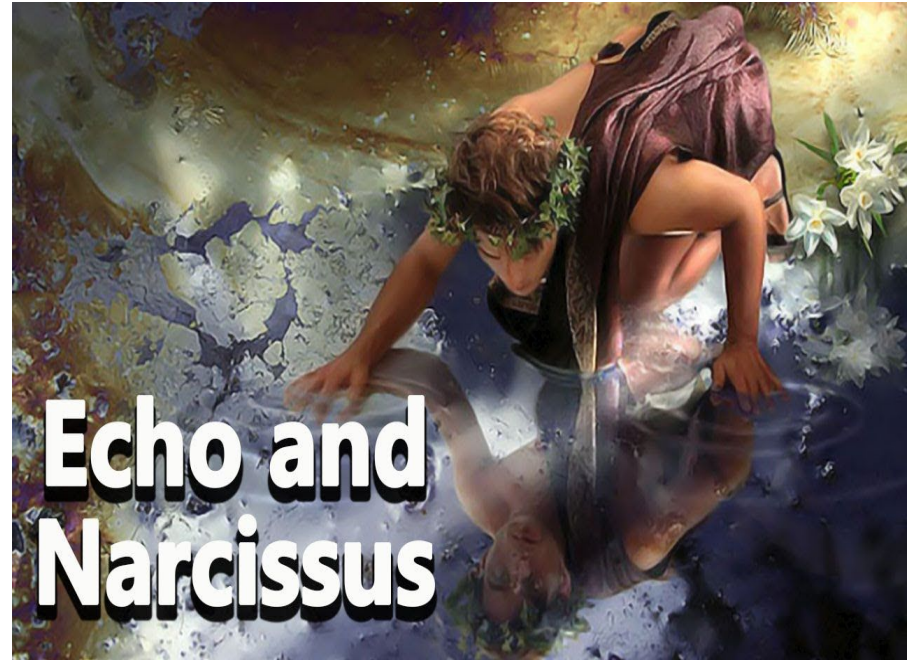
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2. “One did not turn down a request from Zeus, not and live to tell about it.” What can you infer from this sentence?

From this sentence, I can infer that Zeus kills people who turn down his requests.

Independent Practice Continued...

1. Grab a piece of paper and a pen or pencil.
2. Click on this link: [Echo](#) to learn about Echo and Narcissus.
3. Answer the questions below on your paper. Use complete sentences.
4. **Who was Narcissus in love with?
How do you know?*



Independent Practice suggested answer

Who was Narcissus in love with? How do you know?

Narcissus was actually in love with himself. As he looked into a stream, the story says, “He seemed enchanted by what he saw. He did not know it was only the reflection of himself.” He continued to go to the stream: “He stared at the lovely young man he saw in the water.” Finally, the story states, “Day after day he lay by the stream, admiring his own reflection.” For the entire duration of the story, Narcissus looked and admired his own reflection ignoring everything else around him. Therefore, he was in love with himself.

Additional Resources

If you want more information about Greek Mythology or Ancient Greece, check out these sites!

[Ancient Greece and Greek Mythology](#)

[Ancient Greece for Kids](#)



Expand Your Thinking

For fun...

Now, read about Echo and Pan by clicking on this link:

[Echo](#)

What natural phenomenon is this myth used to explain?

