

## Objective

By the end of this lesson, the student will have a deeper understanding of Greek mythology, including its key figures, themes, and cultural significance. The student will also develop creative thinking skills by engaging with mythological stories and characters.

## Materials and Prep

- A notebook or journal for writing
- A pen or pencil
- Access to a quiet space for reading and writing
- Basic knowledge of major Greek gods and goddesses (e.g., Zeus, Athena, Hades)

## Activities

### • Mythical Character Creation:

The student will create their own Greek god or goddess, including their name, powers, personality traits, and a brief backstory. This will encourage creativity and a deeper understanding of how mythological characters are constructed.

### • Myth Rewriting:

The student will choose a well-known Greek myth (such as the story of Persephone or Hercules) and rewrite it in a modern setting. This activity will help them understand the themes of the myth while applying their own creative twist.

### • Mythology Quiz:

After learning about various myths, the student will create a quiz for themselves or a family member about Greek mythology. This will reinforce their knowledge and make learning fun through a game format.

### • Discussion and Reflection:

At the end of the lesson, the student will reflect on what they learned by discussing their favorite myth, character, or theme with you. This will help solidify their understanding and encourage verbal expression of their thoughts.

## Talking Points

- "Greek mythology is not just about gods and monsters; it's a way to understand human nature and the world around us."
- "Each god or goddess has unique traits that often reflect human qualities. For example, Athena represents wisdom and strategy."
- "Many myths explain natural phenomena or historical events. Can you think of a myth that explains something in nature?"
- "The stories often include moral lessons. What do you think the lesson is in the myth you chose to rewrite?"
- "Greek myths have influenced art, literature, and culture for centuries. How do you see their impact in today's world?"
- "Creating your own character is a fun way to engage with mythology. What powers would your character have and why?"
- "Discussing these myths can help us relate to our own experiences. Which myth resonates

with you the most?"