



## Introduction to the Prometheus Myth

Read the following introduction to the Prometheus myth and answer the questions that follow:

The Prometheus myth is an ancient Greek story that has been passed down for centuries. It tells the story of Prometheus, a titan who defied the gods by stealing fire and gifting it to humanity. This act of defiance has become an enduring symbol of resistance and innovation, inspiring countless literary works and artistic interpretations.

1. What is the main theme of the Prometheus myth?

2. How has the Prometheus myth influenced literature and art?

3. What does the myth reveal about the human condition?

## The Story of Prometheus

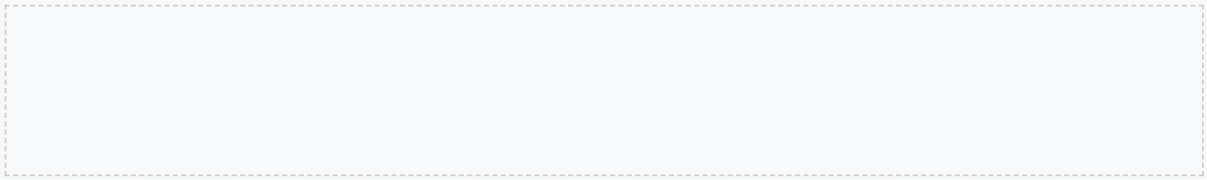
Read the following story of Prometheus and answer the questions that follow:

The Prometheus myth begins with the story of the titan Prometheus, who was known for his intelligence and cunning. According to the myth, Prometheus stole fire from the gods and gave it to humanity, despite the warnings of the god Zeus. As a punishment, Zeus chained Prometheus to a rock, where he was tormented by an eagle that ate his liver every day.

1. What was Prometheus' motivation for stealing fire from the gods?

2. How did Zeus punish Prometheus for his actions?

3. What does the myth reveal about the consequences of defying authority?



## The Influence of the Prometheus Myth on Literature

Read the following text about the influence of the Prometheus myth on literature and answer the questions that follow:

The Prometheus myth has had a profound influence on literature, shaping the way authors think about themes such as rebellion, sacrifice, and the human condition. From Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein* to modern works such as *The Hunger Games*, the myth's themes and motifs can be seen in many different genres and styles.

1. How has the Prometheus myth influenced the theme of rebellion in literature?

2. What motifs and symbols from the myth appear in literary works?

3. How does the literary work reflect the cultural and historical context in which it was written?

## Activity 1: The Story of Prometheus

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3. What does the myth reveal about the human condition?

Write a short essay (approx. 250-300 words) exploring the themes and motifs of the Prometheus myth.



## Activity 2: The Influence of the Prometheus Myth on Literature

*Read a literary work that has been influenced by the Prometheus myth, such as Mary Shelley's Frankenstein.*

1. How does the author use the Prometheus myth to explore themes and ideas?

2. What motifs and symbols from the myth appear in the literary work?

3. How does the literary work reflect the cultural and historical context in which it was written?

*Write a short essay (approx. 250-300 words) analyzing the influence of the Prometheus myth on the literary work.*

## Activity 3: Creative Writing

*Write a short story or poem inspired by the Prometheus myth.*

*Use the myth's themes and motifs to explore your own ideas and creativity.*

## Conclusion

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*Reflect on what you have learned about the Prometheus myth and its influence on literature.*

The Prometheus myth is a timeless and universal story that continues to inspire and captivate audiences around the world. Through its exploration of themes such as rebellion, sacrifice, and the human condition, the myth provides a rich framework for literary analysis and discussion.

1. What was the most surprising thing you learned about the Prometheus myth?

2. How will this learning change your actions in the future?

3. What questions do you still have about the Prometheus myth and its influence on literature?

## Assessment

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*Participation in class discussions and activities will be assessed.*

*The quality of written work and essays will also be assessed.*

*Creativity and originality of short story or poem will be assessed.*

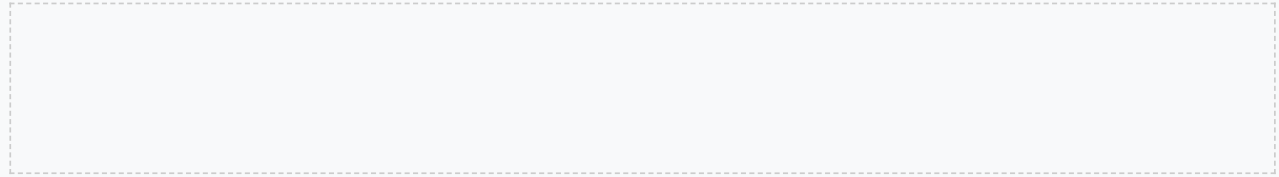
## Extension

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*Research and present on the cultural and historical context of the Prometheus myth.*

*Write a comparative analysis of different versions of the myth.*

*Create a visual project, such as a comic strip or infographic, exploring the myth's themes and motifs.*



## Additional Resources

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*A list of literary works influenced by the Prometheus myth is available.*

*A timeline of the myth's influence on literature and art is available.*

*A glossary of key terms and concepts related to the Prometheus myth is available.*

