



Gods/Goddesses

The stories of the Greek myths are all that remain of an ancient religion. The gods and goddesses of the stories represent the entities that the ancient Greeks used to make sense of the world around them and of life in general. In Greek and Roman Mythology, their gods were thought of as human in form. They all came into being in quite intriguing ways and lived out captivating stories of romance, betrayal, power, and glorification both amongst themselves and in their dealings with humans. The accounts of the origins and deeds of the Greek and Roman gods, goddesses, and other supernatural beings were not written down at first but were handed down by word of mouth from father to son, one generation to the next. Myths were finally written down as a result of great poets like Homer who took a myth and told it in his own way. Myths have gone on to have a great influence on literature, music, art, and language.

You will understand the great Greek epic poem “The Odyssey” much better if you have a working knowledge of the gods and goddesses. Thus, you will spend this week researching and writing about what you discover about these amazing deities.

You will each be given a drawing of one of the most important gods or goddesses from Greek/Roman Mythology.

Your Task: Research the god or goddess whose picture you received, bring it to life by coloring it thoroughly and neatly, and on the back write a summary in which you identify the following:

- ***The god’s Greek and Roman name***
- ***Their realm (what they are known as the god/goddess of)***
- ***Their Origin (an explanation of their birth [if known], an explanation of how they came to have dominion over their realm, their duties and responsibilities as the god/goddess of ____).***
- ***Their symbol(s)***

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	Excellent	Good	Average	Lacking	Nothing
Artwork					
<i>Creativity & Neatness</i>	50	40	30	20	0
Summary of God/Goddess, Includes:					
<i>Roman and Greek names</i>	5	4	3	2	0
<i>Parent's names</i>	5	4	3	2	0
<i>Their Symbols</i>	5	4	3	2	0
<i>Their Realm</i>	5	4	3	2	0
<i>Their Origin</i>	10	8	6	4	0
<i>Grammar</i>	20	15	10	5	0
COMMENTS:				TOTAL:	