**Myth of Phaethon (pg. 136-139)**

1. Why did Phaethon go to the Palace of the Sun?
2. Who were his parents?
3. What does Apollo give his son? Can he break this promise? Why or why not?
4. What warning does Apollo give to Phaethon?
5. What are the pitfalls along Phaethon’s journey? Be specific – mention five.
6. What fatal mistake does Phaethon make as soon as he begins?
7. What effect does the horses running away have?
8. What effect did the fire have?
9. How does Zeus intervene?
10. What is the last line of the expression the Naiads carved on his tomb?
11. How did the poplar tree first come into being?

**Myth of Echo and Narcissus (pg. 89-93)**

1. To what group did Echo belong?
2. Why was Hera her enemy? Was this just or unjust?
3. Describe Narcissus physically and psychologically. What does it now mean to be ‘narcissistic’?
4. What curse did Hera put upon Echo?
5. Explain why we hear echoes even now in caves and hills.
6. How did the Goddess Nemesis (whose name means ‘righteous anger’) get even with Narcissus?
7. How did he die?
8. What did he do as a final gesture crossing over the river to the land of the dead?
9. This myth explains how we got the flower called ‘Narcissus’ – How did we?

**Myth of Aphrodite (Venus) and Adonis (pg. 94-95)**

1. What two women loved Adonis and why? What, today, is an ‘adonis’?
2. How is Adonis killed?
3. How was it that the anemone first came into existence? What is it? What color is it and why?
4. When does it appear every year and why?
5. Why did Adonis spend so much of his time in the Underworld in the first place?

**Myth of Daedalus and Icarus (pg. 144-145)**

1. What profession did Daedalus hold?
2. For whom did he work? In what country?
3. What is a Labyrinth?
4. What plan did Daedalus come up with to free himself and his son from the island?
5. What warning did Daedalus give to Icarus? Why is the ‘middle’ course good advice? What would happen if he flew too high? Too low?
6. Who escaped and why?
7. Where did he go?
8. What expression really sums up the meaning of this myth?
9. What challenge did the old King give the King of Sicily and why did he give it?
10. Exactly how did Daedalus meet this challenge?

**Myth of King Midas (pg. 292-293)**

1. Who was King Midas?
2. How did it come about that Bacchus (or Dionysus) was so pleased with King Midas?
3. What favor did he grant King Midas?
4. What wish did King Midas make? Does this wish ON FIRST APPEARANCE seem good?
5. What happened when the wish was granted?
6. How did King Midas get rid of the effects of the wish? What phenomenon in nature is this supposed to explain?
7. What revenge did Apollo get on Midas?
8. How did King Midas get to be Apollo’s enemy?
9. Why was this particular punishment appropriate for Midas?
10. Who knew of this terrible punishment inflicted on Midas?
11. What did this person do to relieve the pressure of know a secret nobody else knew?
12. According to Hamilton, what is the moral/lesson of the Apollo-King Midas story?

**Myth of Pyramus and Thisbe (pg. 105-107)**

1. Where were Pyramus and Thisbe’s houses when they were growing up?
2. How come they couldn’t get married?
3. How were they able to whisper words of love to each other?
4. Where were the young lovers going to meet? What color were the berries of the mulberry tree?
5. What did Thisbe see when she reached their meeting place?
6. What did Thisbe do? What did she drop?
7. What did Pyramus see when he arrived? What did he conclude?
8. What does Pyramus do next?
9. What does Thisbe do?
10. Why is the fruit of the mulberry tree red?

**Myth of Perseus (pg. 146-154)**

1. Who was Perseus’ father and how did he come to Danae?
2. How did King Acrisius ‘get rid of’ Danae and Perseus and why?
3. Why was he afraid to kill them himself?
4. What did Perseus promise the king in his new home?
5. What three great gods helped Perseus? How did each one help him?
6. Describe Medusa.
7. To what ‘group of 3’ did she belong?
8. What were her powers?
9. What did Athena give to Perseus to help him?
10. What did he need from the Naiads, the nymphs of the North?
11. Who are the 3 Gray Sisters and what did he need from them?
12. How did he get what he needed from them?
13. How was Perseus able to kill the Gorgon? Be thorough.
14. What did he do with her head?
15. Andromeda was a beautiful young girl whom he later saved from being the dinner of a sea monster at Joppa.
	1. How did he save her?
	2. What had her mother Cassiopeia done to put her in such peril?
16. How did Perseus kill the wicked King Polydectes? Why did he want to kill him?
17. Did Perseus indent to kill Acrisius? Explain.
18. Perseus and Andromeda lived happily ever after, but what happened to the head of Medusa?

**Myth of Theseus (pg.155-165)**

1. What ‘task’ did Aegeus give in order to know whether Theseus was really his son?
2. How did Theseus rid the road of the following robbers and murderers as his first adventure series?
	1. Sciron
	2. Sinis
	3. Procrustes
3. What famous woman had a plan to prevent Aegeus and Theseus from getting together?
	1. Her name?
	2. What was her plan?
	3. What was her motivation for doing this?
	4. Where did she go after this misadventure?
4. Who was Androgeus? How did he die? Who was his famous father?
	1. How did his father get revenge on Aegeus?
	2. How was the Minotaur born?
	3. Where was he kept?
	4. Who designed it?
	5. Who helped Theseus find his way through the labyrinth and HOW?
	6. How was the Aegean Sea so named? What does it have to do with a black sail?
5. How did Theseus’ rule over Athens vary from others who had it before him?
6. How did he help:
	1. Oedipus
	2. Hercules
	3. Jason
	4. Pirithous
7. Identify:
	1. Hippolyta
	2. Helen
	3. Phaedra

**Myth of Jason and the Golden Fleece (pg. 122-135)**

1. Where did the ‘Golden Fleece’ come from?
2. Where was it hung?
3. Pelias sends Jason on adventures:
	1. What was the name of Jason’s ship?
	2. What were his followers called?
4. Briefly summarize (in your own words) Jason’s adventures:
	1. Lemnian Women
	2. Hylas Lost
	3. Harpies
	4. Clashing Rocks
	5. Amazon Women
	6. Colchis and Medea
	7. Scylla and Charybdis
	8. Talus
	9. Return Home
	10. Story of Medea

**Myth of Heracles (pg. 166-179)**

1. What is the other name for Heracles?
2. What is the first thing Heracles did as a baby to show his strength?
3. Did Heracles like his music teacher? How do you know?
4. How did Heracles get the twelve labors in the first place? (What were the circumstances?)
5. List, in order, the 12 Labors of Heracles:

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1. What events were founded (started) by Heracles?
2. Identify:
	1. Nessus
	2. Hippolyte
	3. Geryon
	4. Antaeus
	5. Cerberus
3. How did Heracles die?
4. What happened to him after he died?