

Mythology for Summer Reading

Students will need to read the following myths according to the grade they will be entering for the 2020-2021 school year. For each myth, write a brief summary recounting what happens. These myths can be found from many sources, but please be sure that you are using a credible resource (a hardcopy, pdf format, or .edu domain). A source we highly recommend is Edith Hamilton's *Mythology: Timeless Tales of Gods and Heroes*. Please provide your source on your summary page. The purpose of these readings is to help you recognize and understand various allusions that will be made in the stories that you will read throughout the upcoming school year.

Freshmen:

Perseus and the Gorgon
Orestes and the Furies
Cupid and Psyche
The Labors of Hercules
King Sisyphus' Eternal Punishment

Sophomores:

Prometheus Pandora's Jar
Arion and the Dolphin
Damion and Pythias
Niobe
Pandora's Jar

Juniors:

Jason and the Argonauts
Demeter and Persephone
Theseus and the Minotaur
Orpheus and Eurydice
Hero and Leander

Seniors:

Book VI of *The Aeneid*