

GREEK MYTHS

I. What is a myth?

A.

B. They explained the mysterious forces of the universe

1. Seasonal Changes

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II. Maker of Myths

A. Originated in the area around _____.

B. They were passed on _____ from generation to generation.

C. By the 2nd century B.C., the _____ had conquered the _____ and adopted the Greek Myths.

D. The Romans added a new, cynical tone to the stories. This reflected the fact that the Romans were less serious about their religion than the Greeks.

III. Purposes of Myths

A.

B.

C.

D.

IV. Role of gods and goddesses

- A. Worshiped as a deity (divine character or nature, especially that of a supreme being)
- B. Identify with a force of nature.
- C.
- D.
- E.

V. Why study Greek Mythology?

- A. Ancient Greek Mythology has been kept alive by the oral and later written stories handed down for thousands of years.
- B. Modern plays, novels, tv programs, movies, and advertisements refer to Greek gods, goddesses, monsters, and heroes.
- C.