

English 101--Mr. Magnuson

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Your task is to use the internet to research the following stories and then briefly tell them below. Use the words in *italics* for your searches.

1. Tell the story of *Tantalus and Pelops*. Be sure to mention how Tantalus is punished for his misdeed.

2. First a bit of summary: Two sons of Pelops, Atreus and Thyestes, are rivals for the throne of a city named Mycenae--they fight over the position, and in the end Thyestes' son Aegisthus kills Atreus. Atreus has two sons, Agamemnon and Menelaus, who now hate Aegisthus.
Now tell the story of the *oath of Tyndareus*. (Be sure to note who wants to marry Helen and explain the promise some princes make. And also include these names: Leda, Odysseus, and Menelaus.)

3. Tell the story of the *marriage of Peleus and Thetis*. (Be sure to tell who was at the wedding and how it was disrupted. Mention these names: Eris, Aphrodite, Hera, and Athena.)

4. Tell the story of *the judgement of Paris*. (Paris is one of the sons of the king and queen of Troy, the city the Greeks will fight soon.) Mention the oracle his parents heard about him before he was born, and also explain how this judgement leads to the Trojan War. (Mention Menelaus, Helen, and Sparta.)
5. The Greeks head to Troy to get Helen back. Tell the story of *the recruitment of Odysseus and Achilles* for the war.
6. Tell the story of *the sacrifice of Iphigenia*. (Mention Calchas, Clytemnestra, and Agamemnon.)
7. Tell the story of *the anger of Achilles*. (You don't need to name all the names, but mention Agamemnon and the priest of Apollo.)
8. Tell the story of *Agamemnon's return* from the war. (Mention Aegisthus, Clytemnestra, and Cassandra.)