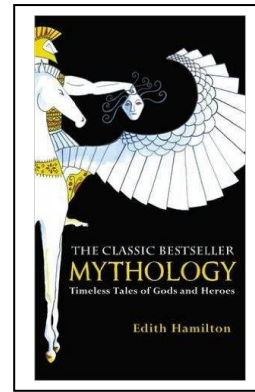

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Summer Reading Guide for *Mythology*, by Edith Hamilton

Mythology: Timeless Tales of Gods and Heroes
Edith Hamilton, ISBN-13:9780446574754
Publisher: Grand Central Publishing, Pages: 512

Gentlemen, you are welcome to read the entire book this summer, from cover to cover. The information in here will serve you not only in this course but also for the rest of your life. Much of the literature, theater, cinema, art, architecture, music, psychology, and philosophy of Western Civilization is built on, refers to, or alludes to classical Greek and Roman culture; and Greek and Roman mythology permeates those two cultures.



However, you may have summer reading for other honors or AP classes, so let me simplify this a bit.

Read the **Introduction and Parts One, Two, Three, and Six of *Mythology* this summer.** Read **Part s Four and Five before our Second Quarter begins** when we will read the *Iliad*, and the background in *Mythology* will be helpful. . Then finish with **Part Seven during Fourth Quarter** when we cover Nordic mythology.

You will have a **test** on your summer reading at the beginning of school. I do not expect you to memorize all these Greek and Roman names and all the details of all these myths and stories. I do expect you to be familiar with them and to recognize them when they come up in literature and in class discussions, and to understand the references or allusions. When you read *Hamlet* and catch his allusion to Hyperion and a Satyr, when you study psychology in college and recall the myth of Cupid and Psyche, or when you enter the Louvre in Paris and see the *Winged Victory*, you will remember this book and this class...and you will be grateful.

Let me give you a list of specific names with which you should be familiar.

I strongly suggest that you **highlight these names and key words** when you read your *Mythology* book... and that you **download, double space, and annotate this list** as you come across these names in the book. These highlights and notes will serve you all year long – and in the future.

Please, feel free to email me at any time: brorich@stpauls.com .

I will be very glad to be with you in Classical Lit (H) this coming year.

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CLASSICAL LITERATURE (H) WORKSHEET**PART ONE: The Gods, Creation...****The twelve Titans**

Gaea
Uranus
Cronus
Rhea
Ocean
Tethys
Hyperion
Mnemosyne (mnemonic device)
Themis
Iapetus
Atlas
Prometheus

* (Sometimes Phoebe and Epimetheus are included)

The twelve great Olympians (Greek and Roman names)

Zeus
Hera
Poseidon
Hades
Pallas Athena
Phoebus Apollo
Artemis
Aphrodite
Hermes
Ares
Hephaestus
Hestia

The lesser gods

Eros
Iris
The nine Muses
Themis
Nemesis

The gods of water

Ocean
Pontus
Nereus
Triton
Proteus

The Underworld

Tartarus & Erebus
Lethe, Styx, Cocytus, Acheron
Cerberus
Elysian Fields

The Furies
 Sleep and Death
 The lesser gods of Earth
 Demeter
 Dionysus
 Pan
 Castor and Pollux
 Satyrs
 Aeolus
 Zephyr
 Centaurs
 Gorgons
 Gray Women
 Sirens
 Fates
 Roman gods
 Saturnalia
 Janus
 Fauns
 Pomona
 Great Gods of Earth
 Demeter & Dionysus
 Eleusis / Eleusinian Mysteries
 Persephone
 Maenads or Bacchantes
 Creation
 Mother Earth and Father Heaven
 Night and Chaos
 Hundred-Hands and Cyclopes
 Prometheus
 Epimetheus
 Atlas
 Typhon
 Pandora
 Earliest heroes
 Prometheus and Io
 Argus
 Europa
 Polyphemus
 Narcissus, Hyacinth, Adonis
 Echo
PART TWO: Stories of Love and Adventure
 Cupid & Psyche
 Pyramus & Thisbe
 Orpheus & Eurydice
 Pygmalion & Galatea
 Endymion & Selene (Moon)
 Daphne & Apollo

Quest of the Golden Fleece

Argo
 Jason
 Medea
 Harpies

Four Great Adventures

Phaethon & the Sun (Helios)
 Pegasus
 Bellerophon
 Chimaera
 Daedalus
 Icarus
 Minotaur
 Minos

PART THREE: Great heroes before the Trojan War

Perseus
 Medusa
 Gray Women
 Theseus
 Medea
 Minotaur
 Labyrinth
 Ariadne
 Aegeus / Aegean
 Hercules
 Tiresias
 12 Labors of Hercules
 Atalanta

PART SIX: Less important myths

Midas
 Aesculapius aka Asclepius or Asklepios
 Amazons
 Arachne
 Chiron
 Ericthonius aka Erectheus (c.f. Erectheion)
 Hero & Leander
 Hyades
 Leto
 Myrmidons
 Orion
 Pleiades
 Sisyphus