

Greek Mythology - Outline #1

Definitions/History/Beliefs

I. Definition of myth –

A. Elements of a myth –

1. Supernatural forces exist –
2. Interprets or explains
3. Details human qualities or flaws
4. Expresses a culture's view of the universe –
5. Other common elements include

II. History of Greek Myths –

A. Greek Civilization –

1. Oral versions –
2. Written versions –

B. Main Sources

1. Homer
2. Hesiod

C. Beliefs – cultural understanding

1. Earth –
2. Mt. Olympus –
3. Underworld –
4. Oceanus –
5. River Styx –
6. Elysian Fields –
7. Immortality –
8. Ethics/Morals –
9. Power of Prophecy –
10. Oracles –