

Mythological Creatures and Monsters Project

Due Date: Monday, January 26th

Standards:

1. **English - CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.6.2.b** - Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.
2. **History - 6.4.4** - Explain the significance of Greek mythology to the everyday life of people in the region and how Greek literature continues to permeate our literature and language today, drawing from Greek mythology and epics, such as Homer's Iliad and Odyssey, and from Aesop's Fables.
3. **Collaborative Skill** – Produce Quality Work

Descriptions: Choose one Greek mythological creature or monster to study. Write one paragraph describing your monster with relevant facts, details, and/or quotations. Be sure to include a topic sentence and to use transitional words and phrases in your writing. Create one visual representation of your monster.

Steps:

1. Choose your monster from the list below. Your monster **MUST** be from Greek mythology.
2. Research your monster using the given websites, or any other websites you find useful (steer clear of Wikipedia, however).
3. As you research, use note cards to take notes on what you learn. Fill up two note cards, front a back, on the following topics: physical appearance, special powers, stories about the monster, and other information.
4. Write one paragraph on your monster. Include a topic sentence and transitions.
5. Edit your writing, and rewrite it. Include a title.
6. Create a visual representation about your monster. Choose from the options below.

Greek Mythological Monsters:

- Typhon
- Hydra
- Minotaur
- Centaur
- Cerberus
- Erinyes
- Chimaera
- Gorgons
- Sirens
- Echidna
- Scylla and Charybdis
- Cyclops

Websites: Start your research with these pages. If you need more information, google search your monster!

http://www.ducksters.com/history/ancient_greece/monsters_and_creatures_of_greek_mythology.php

<http://www.ngkids.co.uk/did-you-know/Greek-Myths>

<http://greece.mrdonn.org/myths.html>

<http://www.greekmythology.com/Myths/Creatures/creatures.html>

<http://www.greek-gods.org/greek-creatures/mythical-monsters.php>

Note card setup: Write notes on one side of a note card for each of the following: physical appearance, special powers, stories about the monster, and other information.

Example:

Physical Appearance
Notes:

Visual Representation Options: Choose one of the following to create a visual for your monster.

Option 1: Model Create a 3-D model of your monster! Use any materials you can think of, such as clay, cardboard, etc.	Option 2: Collage Create a collage of images of your monster. Use magazines, printouts, drawings. Include a background that shows images from the stories of your monster.
Option 3: Poster Draw your monster onto a poster in color. Include a background that shows images from the stories of your monster.	Option 4: Comic Strip Create a large, colored comic strip of your monster. Use the stories of your monster in Greek myths to help you write your comic strip.