**Final Mythology Writing Assignment**

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**Directions:** Choose one of the following options for your final Mythology writing Assignment: 2-4 pages, typed, double-spaced, 12 pt font

**1st Draft DUE: Friday, January 10th FINAL DRAFT DUE: Monday, January 13th**

**Include:** 1) Brainstorming sheet/Outline/Research Notes 2) First Draft, Edit sheet/Revision Questionnaire 3)Final Draft on TOP

*OPTION 1*: Write your own creative myth that offers moral lessons about life as well as explaining at least two mysteries of nature.

Top of Form

* 1. Follow **Plot Chart**: exposition (setting & characters introduced), conflict, rising action/complications, climax, falling action, resolution

Bottom of Form

* 1. Develop **Characters** using the 5 methods of characterization (speech, thoughts, appearance, actions, others’ reactions
	2. Develop **Imagery** of the setting by using figurative language and vivid adjectives and verbs
	3. Develop **themes** by illustrating human qualities and how characters change and learn
	4. Use **dialogue** to detail conversations between characters
	5. Engage interest of the audience with humor, irony, plot twists, suspense, internal/external conflicts, symbolism, relating to human conditions, and vivid descriptions of characters, actions, settings, conflicts, etc…

*OPTION 2*: Write a research report on the mythology of another culture, detailing how the mythologies illustrate the beliefs and values of that culture and analyzing cultural comparisons

1. Research 3-5 Different **Credible Sources** to gain factual information about this culture’s beliefs, lifestyles, values, food, shelter, family set-up, rituals, etc… (minimum 1 page of notes/source)
2. Read at least **3 myths** from this culture and write a **summary and analysis** of what these myths represented for the culture that they were in – life lessons, mysteries of nature, explanations of the human condition, fear-tactics, etc…
3. **Compare/contrast** these values to current American culture & ancient Greek culture.

**EXTRA CREDIT: Illustrate a character or scene from your mythology**