

# Mythology Essay

**Step 1:** Choose one of the topics on your Assignment Schedule.

**Step 2:** Create one sentence that states your main point. This is your THESIS. For example:

Pandora and Athena are contrasting female characters in Greek mythology.

or

Like the mythical characters of Prometheus and Athena, Malala Yousafzai has fought tyranny and stood firm for what is right.

or

Both the ancient myths of Prometheus and Athena and the modern story of *Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix* emphasize the importance of people fighting against tyranny and standing firm for what is right.

**Step 3:** Write a brief introductory paragraph (1-2 sentences) to your paper, stating what you read/viewed and who wrote/directed/produced these. Then put your thesis as the last sentence in this paragraph.

**Step 4:** Write 2-3 more paragraphs supporting your thesis and using specific details from your readings/viewings in your essay. When giving these details, **state what work** (which writing and author, or which film) **they came from**. For example:

In *Class Dismissed*, Malala describes how the Taliban tried to prevent Pakistani girls from attending school. and...  
Barbara McBride Smith describes in "Pandora" how frustrated Pandora was with Zeus' order not to open the box.

**Step 5:** At the end of your paper, **on a separate page entitled Works Cited**, list ALL of the resources you used. Print each exactly as given below (in alphabetical order by the first word, with any lines under the first one indented). Do NOT list any resources that you did not use.

## Here is the information about all the resources we have read/viewed:

*Class Dismissed: Malala's Story*. Adam Ellick and Irfan Ashraf. *The New York Times*. 29 Oct. 2009. Film. Web.

<<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9F5yeW6XFZk>>

Lies, Betty Bonham. "The Wise Goddess: Athena." *Echoes from Mt. Olympus*. 2006. Logan, Iowa: Perfection Learning. Print.

McBride-Smith, Barbara. "Pandora." *Echoes from Mt. Olympus*. 2006. Logan, Iowa: Perfection Learning. Print.

*Unbreakable: One Girl Changing the World*. 20-20. 11 Oct 2013. Film. Web.

<<http://abc.go.com/shows/2020/listing/unbreakable-one-girl-changing-the-world>>

Untermeyer, Louis. "The Firebringer." *Echoes from Mt. Olympus*. 2006. Logan, Iowa: Perfection Learning.

Yousafzai, Malala and Christina Lamb. *I Am Malala*. 2013. Boston: Little, Brown. Print.

**Note:** If you are hand-writing a draft, underline titles that would *be in italics* if you were word-processing. Remember, titles of full-length books and films get underlining/italics; titles of short works (stories, essays) get quotation marks.