

Legends of the Lost Realm: A Year 4 Quiz

Learning objective: To identify the key features of myths and legends, including character archetypes, setting descriptions, and the purpose of traditional storytelling.

Join Pip the bookworm on an adventure into the world of ancient tales. Read each question carefully and circle the best answer. Use your knowledge of narrative structure to help you succeed!

Answer Key: 1: C*, 2: True, 3: Legend, 4: B*, 5: False, 6: A*, 7: 1-word answer (Hero), 8: True, 9: D*, 10: 1-word answer (Moral).

Word bank: Hero · Myth · Legend · Quest · Supernatural · Setting · Fable · Moral

1. 1. Which of these best describes a 'myth'? A) A story about a real person from last year, B) A report about the weather, C) A traditional story involving gods or supernatural beings*, D) A recipe for baking bread. (1 mark)

2. 2. True or False: Legends are often based on real historical figures, but their deeds are exaggerated over time. (True/False) (1 mark)

3. 3. If a story tells of a brave knight defending a kingdom, is it a myth or a legend? (1 mark)

4. 4. What is the main purpose of a 'quest' in a story? A) To go to the shops, B) To achieve a difficult goal or find a hidden object*, C) To sleep for a long time, D) To write a letter. (1 mark)

5. 5. True or False: Myths and legends usually take place in the modern day with mobile phones and cars. (True/False) (1 mark)

6. 6. Which adjective best describes a legendary hero? A) Valiant*, B) Invisible, C) Bored, D) Tiny. (1 mark)

7. 7. What is the term for the main character who faces challenges in a legend? (1 mark)

8. 8. True or False: Many myths were created to explain natural phenomena, such as why the sun rises or why the seasons change. (True/False) (1 mark)

9. 9. Which of these is a common feature found in myths? A) A shopping list, B) A classroom timetable, C) A tax return, D) A magical creature or deity*. (1 mark)

10. 10. What do we call the 'lesson' that a story tries to teach the reader? (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a legendary hero standing in a mystical setting. Include at least two magical features in the landscape, such as a glowing forest, a floating mountain, or a river that sparkles with starlight.



Extension challenge: Greater Depth Challenges: 1. Explain why ancient civilisations felt the need to create myths to explain the natural world. 2. Compare and contrast a modern-day story with an ancient myth; what elements remain the same? 3. Justify your answer: Is it better for a hero to be physically strong or clever? 4. What might happen if a hero in a legend had no obstacles to overcome? 5. Create your own mythical creature: describe its habitat, its diet, and the special power it possesses. 6. If you were writing a legend, how would you use descriptive language to set the scene for the reader?