

The Myth-Maker's Workshop with Ellie

Learning objective: To identify and apply the key features of myths and legends, including heroic characters, supernatural elements, and moral lessons.

Ellie the elephant is visiting the library to learn about storytelling. She needs your help to build a brand-new myth. First, use the word bank to fill in the missing features of a classic legend. Then, use the questions provided to construct the plot and moral of your own original myth.

Word bank: supernatural · hero · moral · quest · tradition · mythical creature

1. A legend is a story passed down through _____ that often features a brave _____ who must complete a difficult _____. (3 marks)

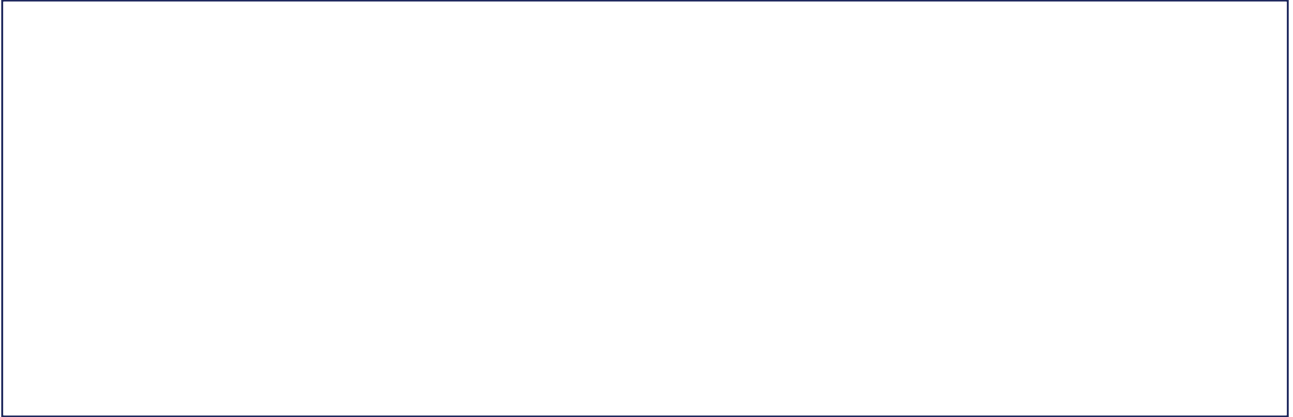
2. Every good myth contains a _____ element, such as a _____ that has special powers or abilities. (2 marks)

3. Why is it important for a myth or legend to have a clear 'moral' at the end of the story? (2 marks)

4. Think of an original hero for your myth. What is one 'supernatural' challenge they might face on their journey? (2 marks)

5. Write one sentence explaining the 'moral' or lesson that your hero learns by the end of their adventure. (2 marks)

Draw: Draw your original hero from your myth. Include one item they carry that helps them on their quest and one mythical creature they encounter along the way.



Extension challenge: Write a short paragraph describing the setting of your myth. Think about using expanded noun phrases and fronted adverbials to make the location sound mysterious and ancient.