

Myths and Legends Quest with Ellie the Elephant

Learning objective: To identify key characteristics of myths and legends and demonstrate understanding of traditional storytelling features.

Join Ellie the Elephant on a journey through history! Answer these 10 questions to prove you are a master of myths and legends. Good luck!

Answer Key: 1. B, 2. True, 3. Hero, 4. B, 5. False, 6. A, 7. Moral, 8. True, 9. Quest, 10. D. Note: Myths often explain natural phenomena, whereas legends are usually based on historical people or events.

Word bank: Hero · Myth · Legend · Supernatural · Quest · Moral · Tradition

1. Which of these is a key feature of a myth? A) It is always true B) It explains how the world works C) It is a modern news report D) It is a list of prices in £ (1 mark)

2. True or False: Legends are often based on real people or historical events that have been exaggerated over time. (1 mark)

3. What do we call the main character in a legend who is often very brave and completes difficult tasks? (1 word) (1 mark)

4. Why were myths originally created? A) To sell books B) To explain natural mysteries C) To teach maths D) To record grocery bills (1 mark)

5. True or False: Myths and legends were written down on paper long before they were told orally by people. (1 mark)

6. Which creature is most commonly associated with ancient myths? A) A dragon B) A computer C) A tractor D) A robot (1 mark)

7. Many traditional stories end with a lesson or a 'message' about how to behave. What is this called? (1 word) (1 mark)

8. True or False: A legend often takes place in a specific, recognisable place, such as a real forest or a kingdom. (1 mark)

9. 9. The journey that a hero takes to find a special object or complete a difficult task is known as a _____. (1 word) (1 mark)

10. 10. Which of these is a common theme in legends? A) Calculating the cost of £5.50 B) Predicting the weather C) Writing a computer code D) Overcoming a great challenge (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a legendary hero or a mythical creature from your imagination. Think about what special equipment they might carry on their journey!



Extension challenge: Write a short paragraph (50 words) explaining the difference between a myth and a legend using your own words. Think about Ellie the Elephant's amazing memory as you write!