

Crafting the Mythic Legend

Learning objective: To understand the structural components of myths and legends and apply them to create an original narrative framework.

Use the provided elements to build your own mythic legend. Choose one 'Origin', one 'Heroic Flaw', and one 'Supernatural Challenge' from the word bank to structure your story plan. Write a brief outline explaining how your hero overcomes their flaw to solve the challenge.

Word bank: A star that fell to earth · A city hidden beneath the clouds · An eternal winter caused by a broken promise · Overconfidence in one's own speed · An inability to listen to wise advice · A fear of the deep ocean · Taming a storm-cloud dragon · Retrieving a golden seed from a labyrinth · Translating the language of the mountain winds

1. Select one 'Origin', one 'Heroic Flaw', and one 'Supernatural Challenge' from the word bank. Write them here as your story foundation. (3 marks)

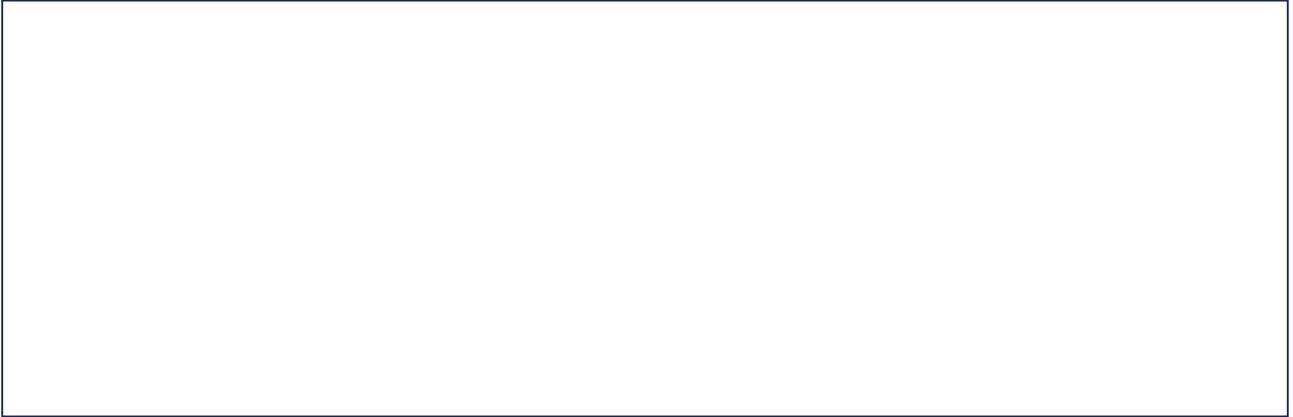
2. How does your hero's flaw make their quest more difficult? Explain the connection. (2 marks)

3. Describe the setting of your myth. Use sensory language (sight, sound, or touch) to make it feel ancient and legendary. (3 marks)

4. Every myth has a lesson or 'moral'. What is the central lesson your character learns by the end of their journey? (2 marks)

5. If your hero had to pay a 'toll' of £5.50 to cross a mystical bridge, how much change would they get from a £10 note? (1 mark)

Draw: Draw your main character standing at the entrance to the location of their challenge. Include one mythical creature or magical object mentioned in your story.



Extension challenge: Leo the lion is writing a poem about your hero. Write a four-line rhyming stanza that captures the hero's greatest moment of bravery.