

Myths and Legends: Word Mat

Learning objective: To build a sophisticated vocabulary for exploring and writing myths and legends.

Key Vocabulary

Use this word mat to help describe legendary characters, epic settings, and heroic journeys. The terms are grouped into categories: Heroic Traits, Supernatural Elements, and Narrative Structure.

Protagonist The main character in a story w...	Antagonist A character or force that stands ...	Deity A god or goddess often featured in anc...
Mythical Something existing only in tradition...	Legendary Describing a person or event fro...	Supernatural Attributing to forces or beings ...
Quest A long and difficult journey taken by a...	Hubris Excessive pride or self-confidence th...	Oracular Relating to a prophecy or a wise, ...
Celestial Referring to the stars, the sky, or t...	Valor Great courage and bravery, especially ...	Treacherous Something that is dangerous, ...
Formidable A person or challenge that inspi...	Fabled Famous through stories; often used t...	Ethereal Something delicate, light, or perfect ...
Chronicle A factual or storytelling account of ...	Manifestation The appearance or physical f...	