Mythology WebQuest

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http://teacherweb.com/WQ/MiddleSchool/TheLightningThief/apt2.aspx
Have you ever wondered what it would be like to have a superpower? To fly through the air or leap tall buildings with a single bound? Well, the Greek gods and goddesses of Olympus had it all: power over the earth, sky, sea and underworld, lightning bolts, skill on the battlefield and in the hunt, athleticism, beauty and superior intelligence. Unfortunately, they also had their faults: vanity, jealousy and greed, to name a few.
Many cultures have created stories to understand the world around them. These myths or legends were used to explain forces of nature, weather, animals, and even the creation of humans. In Greek mythology, the lives, choices and actions of the Olympians helped the Greeks make sense of their world.

In this web quest:

1. You will become familiar with Greek gods and goddesses and understand what traits and characteristics were valued in Greek culture.
2. You will also gain an appreciation for the lasting impact of this culture as you examine advertising campaigns that contain Greek gods and symbols.
3. Lastly, after comparing and contrasting the ancient Greek culture and our own society, you will create a “modern god or goddess” that represents a positive or negative aspect of our world today. As your god or goddess, you will fight for Zeus's job as head of the Olympians.

You will need 3 documents to complete this quest.
The first task will introduce you to the twelve Olympians and other mythological creatures. Use the links below to fill out the first handout. Remember, some sites are more helpful than others and some have more complete information. Don’t rely on just one!

* Greek Lineage and Descriptions - [Click Here](#)
* Greek Encyclopedia - [click here](#)
* Greek god/goddess Bios - [click here](#)
* Encyclopedia Mythica - [click here](#)
There are hundreds of companies that use mythological names, symbols or figures in their logos or advertising campaigns. Some of them, like Nike or Amazon, are very familiar to you. **Use this link to complete the second handout** and discover other mythological connections.

* Greek Mythology in Modern Slogans/Logos-
  [Site 1](#)
  [Site 2](#)
In the last part of your quest, you will need to examine ancient Greek myths and culture and compare them to our own modern day world. The ideas and skills that were valued in the time of the immortals may not be what 21st century men and women consider important!

* Greek Culture-
  [click here](#)

* The Greek Explanation of the Creation of Man-
  [click here](#)

* Ancient Greece-
  [click here](#)