

REGIONAL LATIN FORUM 1999

MYTHOLOGY

1. Who invented the lyre using a tortoise shell?
a. Polyhymnia b. Apollo c. Hermes d. Pan
2. Who was punished in the Underworld by having to roll a large stone uphill forever?
a. Ixion b. Sisyphus c. Phineus d. Melampus
3. Who helped Theseus escape from the labyrinth?
a. Daedalus b. Ariadne c. Phaedra d. Icarus
4. The three Graeae, with gray hair from birth, shared one eye and one
a. nose. b. heart. c. tooth. d. ear.
5. Who pretended to be mad by sowing a field with salt?
a. Palamedes b. Achilles c. Protesilaus d. Odysseus
6. What Lydian king was responsible for the misfortunes of the House of Atreus?
a. Peleus b. Tantalus c. Oenomaus d. Polydectes
7. Who gave the golden touch to Midas?
a. Apollo b. Minos c. Helios d. Dionysus
8. Who rescued Prometheus from the punishment inflicted by Zeus?
a. Atlas b. Hermes c. Herakles d. Themis
9. Which of the following had the legs and feet of a goat?
a. Pan b. Hermaphroditus c. Chimaera d. Antaeus
10. Which of the following was **NOT** a judge of the dead?
a. Minos b. Sarpedon c. Aeacus d. Rhadamanthys
11. What were the Symplegades?
a. beautiful women who lured men to their deaths
b. clashing rocks which crushed anything caught inbetween
c. whirlpools which sucked men and ships into an abyss
d. a tribe of savages encountered by Odysseus
12. Niobe and Arachne were both punished for
a. having children by Zeus. b. aspiring to be goddesses. c. possessing hybris.
d. being in the wrong place at the wrong time.

13. In order to take Troy, the Greeks needed the bow and arrows of Herakles which were held by
a. Neoptolemus. b. Teucer. c. Philoctetes. d. Menelaus.
14. Which of the following had four famous children, two mortal and two immortal?
a. Alcmena b. Leto c. Aphrodite d. Leda
15. How many Danaids could be seen in the Underworld carrying water in jars full of holes?
a. 3 b. 4 c. 49 d. 50
16. Who replaced Hebe as the cupbearer of the gods?
a. Cyrene b. Cynthia c. Glaucus d. Ganymede
17. Whom did Venus order to visit Persephone in the Underworld and bring back some of her beauty in a box?
a. Psyche b. Galatea c. Eurydice d. Doris
18. Who had the gift of prophecy and the ability to change shape?
a. Amphion b. Orpheus c. Proteus d. Triton
19. The Myrmidons were the soldiers led to Troy by
a. Menelaus. b. Diomedes. c. Achilles. d. Nestor.
20. The creation of the Milky Way is associated with
a. Hera. b. Aphrodite. c. Demeter. d. Artemis.
21. Achilles withdrew from the fighting at Troy because of the
a. death of Patroclus. b. loss of Briseis. c. jealousy of Ajax. d. prophecy of Calchas.
22. Who explained that the wooden horse was an offering to Athena?
a. Sinon b. Laocoön c. Helenus d. Cassandra
23. Phrixus is associated with
a. the wanderings of Aeneas. b. the travels of Odysseus. c. the fall of Oedipus. d. the story of the Argonauts.
24. The entrance to Mt. Olympus was a great gate of clouds kept by
a. Talos. b. the Seasons. c. Python. d. the Parcae.
25. Eilithyia was the daughter of
a. Lucina. b. Aphrodite. c. Aphaia. d. Hera.

26. Which of the following is a Nereid?
a. Thetis b. Maia c. Daphne d. Amphitrite
27. Which of the following is **NOT** one of the winds?
a. Notus b. Eurus c. Cocytus d. Zephyrus
28. The cannibal giants who sank eleven of Odysseus' twelve ships:
a. Lotophagi b. Laestrygones c. Ciconians d. Cyclopes
29. Clytie : sunflower :: Tithonus : _____
a. anemone b. stream c. constellation d. grasshopper
30. Who pursues the Pleiades across the heavens?
a. Orion b. Ursa Maior c. Cassiopeia d. Pegasus
31. How were Actaeon and Pentheus related?
a. brothers b. father/son c. uncle/nephew d. cousins
32. Which god loved Herse and was the father of her son Cephalus?
a. Zeus b. Apollo c. Hermes d. Poseidon
33. Another name for the Seasons:
a. Horae b. Moirae c. Charites d. Erinyes
34. Odysseus went to the Underworld to seek advice from the prophet Teiresias who told him about
a. the cattle of Helios. b. the enchantress Circe. c. Calypso.
d. Scylla and Charybdis.
35. Which of the following is **NOT** an epithet of Apollo?
a. Sminthian b. Lenaeon c. Lycian d. Pythian
36. Who recognized Odysseus immediately upon seeing him?
a. Eurycleia b. Penelope c. Eumaeus d. Argos
37. Which of the following was **NOT** another name for Hades?
a. Pluto b. Dis c. Orcus d. Ops
38. Why did Scylla cut off her father's purple lock of hair?
a. to help Aegeus regain the throne of Athens
b. to help Minos conquer Megara
c. to prevent his interference with her sister's love affair
d. to prevent the treachery he planned for Herakles

39. Which sibling of Cerberus had two heads?
a. Orthrus b. Geryon c. Sphinx d. Chimaera
40. Who was felled by a discus thrown by his grandson?
a. Pelops b. Acrisius c. Athamas d. Picus
41. Who was raised from the dead by Asclepius and then spirited away by Artemis to become the Roman god Virbius?
a. Lycurgus b. Glaucus c. Hippolytus d. Capaneus
42. Who was Laelaps?
a. a hound fated to catch whatever it pursued
b. a Harpy pursued by Calais and Zetes
c. the dragon guarding the Hesperides
d. the bull which killed Dirce
43. In the Odyssey the wife of Hephaestus is Aphrodite; in the Iliad his wife is
a. Aglaia. b. Eirene. c. Bellona. d. Euterpe.
44. Which Muse is **NOT** correctly matched with her symbol?
a. Urania – globe b. Clio – scroll c. Melpomene – tragic mask d. Erato – flute
45. Who killed the monster Echidna?
a. Perseus b. Castor c. Argus d. Bellerophon
46. The father of the three Gorgons:
a. Otus b. Typhon c. Coeus d. Phorcys
47. Hippocrene, a spring on Mt. Helicon, was created for the Muses by
a. Pegasus. b. Athena. c. Apollo. d. Xanthus.
48. With what area of Greece are Callisto and her son Arcas associated?
a. Arcadia b. Attica c. Elis d. Epirus
49. All of the following were defeated by Theseus. Which one is **NOT** correctly matched with his epithet?
a. Periphetes – Corymetes b. Damastes – Procrustes
c. Sinis – Pityocampes d. Cercyon – Hippothoön
50. Arrogant and insolent, this mortal wanted to be a god and even had his subjects call him Zeus:
a. Proetus b. Salmoneus c. Neleus d. Pholus