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MYTHOLOGY

1. Who is missing from the following group: Boreas, Notus, and Zephyrus?
a. Eurus b. Hyades c. Phlegethon d. Tisiphone
2. Who is the inventor of the lyre?
a. Apollo b. Erato c. Amphion d. Hermes
3. The only one of the Seven Against Thebes fated to return home alive:
a. Adrastus b. Tydeus c. Sapaneus d. Hippomedon
4. The husband of Alcestis who was willing to have her die in his place:
a. Aristomenes b. Amyclas c. Admetus d. Alcinous
5. Died from a snake bite:
a. Psyche b. Eurydice c. Dryope d. Syrinx
6. Who presented Hera with the tree of golden apples as a wedding present?
a. Mother Earth b. Demeter c. Rhea d. Zeus
7. Which god is called "Twice-Born"?
a. Dionysus b. Apollo c. Hephaestus d. Hermes
8. How were Europa and Cadmus related?
a. husband/wife b. daughter/father c. sister/brother
d. niece/uncle
9. Who accidentally killed his grandfather with a discus during the funeral games for Polydectes?
a. Perseus b. Pelops c. Romulus d. Heracles
10. What tree was sacred to Aphrodite?
a. elm b. myrtle c. fir d. poplar
11. The oracle of Delphi gave Apollo's son to Xuthus, the husband of _____, thereby uniting him with his own mother.
a. Orithyia b. Creusa c. Philomela d. Otionia
12. Which prophet told Odysseus about the dangers that would threaten him on his way home to Ithaca?
a. Helenus b. Cassandra c. Amphiaraus d. Teiresias
13. A monster with the head of a lion and the wings of an eagle famous for hoarding gold:
a. Chimaera b. Hydra c. Harpy d. Griffin

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14. Adonis, who was killed by a boar, was changed by Aphrodite into a(n)
a. anemone. b. hyacinth. c. orchid. d. poppy.
15. Why did Athena put the name of Pallas before her own?
a. Pallas was the only one Athena could never defeat.
b. Pallas had been the revered tutor of Athena.
c. Pallas was a childhood friend whom Athena had killed.
d. Pallas was Athena's beloved nurse.
16. Who is the only Olympian who never participates in wars or disputes?
a. Dionysus b. Hestia c. Hephaestus d. Demeter
17. Merope was promised to _____ if he would rid the island of wild beasts, but her father went back on the bargain.
a. Apollo b. Heracles c. Orion d. Dionysus
18. Who is missing from the following group: Dike and Eirene?
a. Eunomia b. Megaera c. Atalanta d. Io
19. Who was the ancestor of the House of Atreus?
a. Tantalus b. Erechtheus c. Cadmus d. Minos
20. The Danaids were condemned to carry water forever in leaky jars. What was their crime?
a. They betrayed their city.
b. They killed their husbands.
c. They mocked the gods.
d. They conspired against their father.
21. Who was the daughter of Pygmalion and Galatea?
a. Paphos b. Thetis c. Helle d. Sidero
22. What follower of Artemis did Asclepius restore to life?
a. Endymion b. Orion c. Callisto d. Hippolytus
23. The Curetes, who guarded the infant Zeus, were the sons of
a. Amaltheia. b. Metis. c. Earth. d. Rhea.
24. Which deity preached moderation in all things?
a. Apollo b. Zeus c. Athena d. Hestia
25. What island, ravaged by disease, was repopulated by people created from ants?
a. Delos b. Aegina c. Samos d. Euboea
26. The inventor of the ax:
a. Daedalus b. Prometheus c. Hermes d. Deucalion

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27. Who found that he could understand the speech of all creatures and foretell the future after snakes licked his ears?
a. Melampus b. Teiresias c. Orpheus d. Iphicles
28. Nissus was betrayed by his daughter who cut off the purple lock of hair on which his safety and that of the city depended and opened the gates to the Cretans. What was her name?
a. Ops b. Pyrrha c. Scylla d. Eudora
29. Which of the following was completely human in form?
a. Echidna b. Chrysaor c. Chiron d. Empusa
30. The Pactolus River, which contributed mightily to the wealth of the Lydians, became gold-bearing because of its connection with
a. Aeetes. b. Danae. c. Minos d. Hades.
31. In which of the five ages of man were the men utterly subject to their mothers?
a. gold b. silver c. bronze d. iron
32. Who was changed into a myrrh-tree to save her from her father's wrath?
a. Calais b. Metaneira c. Aerope d. Smyrna
33. Otus and Ephialtes killed each other with their own javelins when their target _____ suddenly ran between them.
a. Artemis b. Hera c. Ares d. Apollo
34. Glaucus, the son of Minos, was drowned in a barrel of
a. water. b. honey. c. wine. d. olive oil.
35. According to the Iliad, this hero wounded Aeneas in battle but was prevented from killing him by Aphrodite who carried her son safely off the field:
a. Ajax b. Menelaus c. Diomedes d. Idomeneus
36. One of the more notable sinners in Tartarus was _____ who suffered eternal frustration because he could never get his boulder to the top of the hill.
a. Tantalus b. Ixion c. Sisyphus d. Typhoeus
37. The race of cannibals whom Odysseus encountered on his voyage home:
a. Lastrygonians b. Ciconians c. Cimmerians d. Lamians
38. Reputed to be the inventor of the discus and dice, he is also credited with adding four letters to the alphabet of Cadmus:
a. Philoctetes b. Palamedes c. Autolycus d. Sisyphus

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39. The brother of Sisyphus and founder of a city in Elis, he considered himself equal to Zeus and ordered sacrifices to be offered to himself but when he even imitated thunder and lightning, the king of the gods slew him:
a. Salmoneus b. Praxitiles c. Lycidas d. Nauplius
40. By changing into a fir-tree, Pitys escaped the unwanted advances of
a. Zeus. b. Dionysus. c. Apollo. d. Pan.
41. Zagreus, the son of Zeus and Persephone, was torn apart and eaten by the Titans, but his heart was saved by _____ who encased it in a statue and then blew life on it, thus making Zagreus immortal.
a. Aphrodite b. Demeter c. Artemis d. Athena
42. Agre, Aura, and Hylaeus were among the dogs of
a. Pan. b. Actaeon. c. Meleager. d. Orion.
43. The husband of Anticlea and the father of Odysseus:
a. Laertes b. Apollodorus c. Amphitryon d. Laius
44. What hero had to outwit the Symplegades?
a. Heracles b. Theseus c. Jason d. Odysseus
45. Pelops bribed the charioteer of Demetrius in order to win the hand of
a. Hippolyta. b. Hypermnestra. c. Hermione. d. Hippodamia.
46. What mythological figure was credited with conquering all of India?
a. Pelops b. Dionysus c. Perseus d. Deucalion
47. What mortal did Apollo and Poseidon take with them to help build the walls of Troy?
a. Amphion b. Heracles c. Sarpedon d. Aeacus
48. The Muse who is often depicted sitting with an open scroll or a chest of scrolls:
a. Thalia b. Euterpe c. Calliope d. Clio
49. The king of Arcadia who, when visited by Zeus, killed a hostage and served him up for dinner to the god:
a. Phoenix b. Lycurgus c. Perithous d. Lycaon
50. Zeus was not the only god to court Thetis until he found she was fated to bear a son mightier than his father. Who was the other?
a. Apollo b. Hades c. Poseidon d. Ares