

WORKSHEETS THAT REQUIRE KNOWLEDGE OF THE STORY

ANSWERS FOR TEACHERS

MYTHS AND LEGENDS

If a worksheet does not appear in the list below, it is 'generic' in its requirements, calling on children's general basic skills, without specific reference to the story. In other words, a teacher will know what the correct answer is without having read the story at all.

MEDUSA

Worksheet 2 – Who Am I?

Perseus Dana

The King Medusa

Worksheet 3 – The Road to Victory!

Athena Hermes The three grey witches

The first beautiful lady The second beautiful lady The third beautiful lady

THE MINOTAUR AND THE MAZE

Worksheet 3 – Write Your Own Myth

1. On the island of Minos
2. In ancient times
3. The Minotaur; the King of Minos; Theseus the brave young man; Ariadne, the Kings' beautiful daughter
4. There was a terrible beast, a Minotaur caged in a vast maze on the island of Minos. The maze was so complex that no one who entered it would ever find their way out again. There was a terrible price for keeping the monster caged. He ate people. At the Kings' word, seven girls and seven boys from his kingdom would be rounded up, herded into the maze and eaten alive.
5. Brave young Theseus threw a ball of thread into the maze, he tip toed in after it. He killed the beast with his own horn. He followed the thread all the way out again.

THE PEARL AND THE DRAGON

Worksheet 2 – Questions and Answers

The Old woman

The dragon rose up into the air and flew away

The god said that he must dig under the lemon tree

Why is the ground so poor, and no matter how hard we work, we barely have enough to eat?

Worksheet 3 – What Would You Do?

1. Yes
2. He told the people he would and he kept his word. His question was answered in the end anyway.

Worksheet 4 – Tampering With Titles

A lovely Chinese myth about a brave young boy, Chang, with a quest to find the Great God who knew everything. He wanted to ask him why the soil on their farm was so poor, and no matter how hard he and his poor old mother worked, there was barely enough to eat. He walked many days and many nights over hills and plains. The god was a in a far off place high in the mountains. He met an old woman who let him stay the night on her farm. She had a beautiful daughter who could not speak. The old woman asked Chang to ask the Great God why her daughter could not speak. Next, he came to a poor farm. The old man there offered him a bed for the night. He asked Chang to ask the Great God why his trees bore no fruit. He arrived at the mountains where the great god was, but between him and the temple was a great river, too wide, too deep, and too fast to cross. Suddenly a dragon appeared in the river and spoke to him. He carried Chang across the river on his back. The dragon asked Chang to ask the Great God why he could not fly. Timidly he knocked on the gates of the temple and was let in. There in a huge room, on a throne sat an old, old man dressed like an emperor. He called Chang forward. He told Chang that he could only ask him three questions. If he kept his promise – to the old woman, the old man and the kindly dragon, he could not ask his own question. Yet he had given his word. He asked their questions. The next day he set back down the mountain. He came to the dragon and gave him his answer, the dragon needed to do a good deed for someone. He gave Chang a giant pearl and immediately he could fly. When Chang came to the old man's farm, he told him that he needed to dig under the lemon tree. Immediately after he did this, water poured forth and trees burst into bloom. When he came to the old woman's house, he said to the girl "The god says that only your husband can make you speak. What does this mean?" "He means it is you," said the beautiful girl. She kissed him, there were great celebrations and they were married the next day. Together with his new wife, he set out again. He finally came to his own place. In the time he had been gone his poor old mother – who thought him dead - had cried so much that she was blind. How could he tell her that he had gone so far and not asked the

god her question? What could he give her? He took out the dragon's pearl and put it in his mother's hand. Instantly a bright and beautiful light shone from the pearl, and his mother could see again. The magic pearl also made the land fertile, put fish in the lake, and made everything good. For it was the pearl of generosity. They all lived together happily ever after, and each year the dragon came to visit them.

THE PIED PIPER

Worksheet 3 – Wanted - For Stealing Children!

Strange young man; wearing an odd jester like costume of different colours, with a silly hat on his head; plays lovely music on a pipe; town elders didn't like the look of him

RIP VAN WINKLE

Worksheet 2 – Feelings Profile

How did Rip van Winkle feel about these characters?

His son? loving, good company

His dog? trusting, loyal, good company

The dwarves? strange, friendly,

His friends? friendly, kindly,

How did these characters feel about Rip van Winkle?

His wife? lazy, hopeless

His son? loving, good company

His dog? loving, kindly

The dwarves? helpful, kindly, good at skittles, proud

The townspeople? hopeless, strange

Worksheet 3 – So Many Questions

(Some suggested questions)

Where is my dog?

Where is my son?

Where is my wife?

What happened to my friends?

What happened to the town?

Why is my house empty?

What happened to Rip van Winkle?

What year is it?

Where are the dwarves?

Worksheet 4 – Who Said It?

Mrs van Winkle the leader of the dwarves Judith (Rip junior's wife)

Rip van Winkle Junior Rip's teammates Rip van Winkle Senior

ELIZA AND THE TROLL

Worksheet 1 – Feelings Profile

(Suggested feelings)

Event	Eliza	Henry	Troll
The troll knocks on the door.	alarmed, afraid	cross, reluctant,	impatient, desperate
The troll asks for help.	obliging, helpful	scared, frightened	apologetic, panicky, anxious, sad
Eliza agrees to help the troll's wife.	frightened, nervous, trusting, brave	frightened, trusting, worried	reassuring, grateful, trustworthy, relieved
Henry discovers the gold coins	alarmed, surprised, over joyed	surprised, happy, excited	

THE FAITHFUL PRINCE

Worksheet 1 – Two Points of View – Two Stories

Worksheet 2 – Match the Definition

Banquet
Beautiful
Complain
Despair
Eligible
Faithful
Forgive
Handsome
Magnificent
Marriage
Obedient
Virtuous

