

MYTHOLOGY PATHFINDER



After you know what your research questions are, your first step is to hit the card catalog! This will search for both books in our library and websites about your topic.

Try using the search words below to get you started.

Possible Search Key Words for *Mythology* Topics

The name of your God or Goddess (e.g., Zeus, Hera, etc.)

Mythology

Dewey number for general mythology information is **940.2**.
(Be sure to check the Reference collection, too!)

Databases

Check out our library's databases first!! They have tons of reliable information about your topics, including **PRINT SOURCES** like magazine articles and articles from books, as well as multimedia content (video, images, etc.). Databases are the next best thing to books. ☺

Gale

Includes two databases. Choose the **Student Resource Center** database.

**To logon, go to <http://infotrac.galegroup.com/default>

Username and password information is available at the circulation desk in the library.

Then, type in the name of your god/goddess in the search bar on the upper right side of the page.

Don't forget to explore the hyperlinks embedded in the articles you find, and also the links along the right side of the page!

BONUS! MLA Works Cited entry is at the bottom of each article!

The screenshot shows the Gale Student Resources website interface. At the top, there is a search bar with the text "All Reference Images Primary Sources Creative Works More" and a "Search" button. Below the search bar, there are navigation tabs: "Home", "Topics", "Maps", "Curriculum Standards", and "Resources". The main content area displays a search result for "Zeus" from the "Myths and Legends of the World, 2000" collection. The article text describes Zeus as the most important deity of ancient Greece, the leader of the gods, and the all-powerful overseer of earthly events and human destiny. It mentions his role in mythology, his association with mountain peaks, and his evolution from a sky god to the chief god of Rome. A sidebar on the right contains "Tools" such as Bookmark, Download, Share, Citation Tools, Email, Print, Dictionary, Translate, and Save. Below the tools is a "Related Subjects" section with links to "Greek mythology", "Greek gods", and "Roman mythology". An arrow points to the "Works Cited" entry at the bottom of the article.

Open Websites

Google Books

Free book sources on the internet!!

- Go to **Google** and click on the **More** tab.
- Then, select **Books**.
- Type in your search terms (e.g., “Zeus”)
- Then, click **Preview Available** on the left side of the page to get to the links of books with free content.

Mythology in General

Mythweb: <http://www.mythweb.com/>

A cartoon illustrated guide to many of the gods, goddesses, and heroes in mythology. A good place to start for *very basic* information.

Theoi Greek Mythology: <http://www.theoi.com/>

Includes articles, art, and extensive links to each mythological figure’s story. Also includes family trees for most gods.

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Encyclopedia Mythica: <http://www.pantheon.org/mythica.html>

Includes family tree charts and articles about all kinds of mythology. Click the “Greek Mythology” link on the left side of the page to get to the “Genealogy Tables” (family trees).

Type in your god’s name in the search bar to find information specific to that god. Be sure to choose the articles that are from “Encyclopedia Mythica”—other links will take you outside of this website and aren’t necessarily credible!