

MYTHICAL CREATURE RESEARCH PROJECT

Assignment: Research a mythical creature from world mythology. Create a presentation on your creature that addresses the following points of interest:

History of Creature

- From which culture did the creature originate?
- When did this creature first appear in stories?
- Are there any real-life creatures that inspired the creature?
- Are there any theories why such a creature was invented by this culture?

Description of Creature

- What does it look like?
- What does it eat?
- Does it have any special or magical attributes?
- Does it have any predators or weaknesses?

Modern Day Influences

- Why have people continued to tell stories about this creature over the years?
- Does the creature appear in any films, books, video games, etc.?
- Has the concept of the creature evolved over time?
- If the creature is not prominent in pop culture, why do you think this is so?
- Why is the creature interesting to you?

Choose one of the following creatures from the list. If you would like to choose a creature that is *not* on this list, speak to the teacher first.

Baba Yaga	Faerie	Leprechaun	Siren
Banshee	Genie (Djinn)	Manticore	Skinwalker
Boggart	Giant	Merfolk	Sphinx
Centaur	Goblin	Minotaur	Tengu
Chimaera	Golem	Oni	Troll
Chupacabra	Gorgon	Pegasus	Unicorn
Cockatrice	Gremlin	Phoenix	Vampire
Cyclops	Griffin	Piasa Bird	Wendigo
Doppelganger	Harpy	Rusalka	Werewolf
Dragon	Hellhound	Sasquatch/Yeti	Zombie
Dwarf	Hydra	Satyr	
Elf	Kraken	Sea Serpent	