

Mythology Study guide – Chapter 1: What is Myth?

Define the following and be able to discern the difference.

Note: Not all the definitions will be found in the textbook; you have to do some research.

Myth

Folk Tale

Fairy Tale

Fable

Legend

Urban Legend

Tall Tale

Oral Tradition

Know how myths may reveal the following insights:

Historical

Anthropological

Metaphysical

Cosmological

Aetiological

Sociological

Psychological

Briefly identify the following mythological characters and their significance with regard to this chapter.

Aphrodite

Heracles

Homer

Odysseus

Paris and Helen

Poseidon

Telemachus