

The Olympians - comprehension questions

1. According to the myth, which features of the natural world were created by Gaia?



2. What were the one-eyed giants called?

3. Describe the Hecatoncheires.

4. The Cyclopes and the Hecatoncheires were banished to Tartarus. What is Tartarus?

5. How were Kronos and his father, Ouranos, alike?



6. Why did Kronos decide to eat his children?

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7. What reason does the narrator give for Kronos' five children surviving in his tummy?

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8. How does the narrator describe Zeus' reaction to his siblings being eaten? What form of figurative language is this?

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9. What did Zeus have to overcome to release the Cyclopes and the Hecatoncheires?

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10. Which of the three gifts from the Cyclopes would you have wanted and why?

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