

## Mythology Vocabulary

Directions: For each of the words below, find the mythological origin of the word and the meaning today. Write NEATLY or type into a chart like the ones below. Be prepared to turn in your chart on 11/20 and take a test on 12/2. Some definitions will be in print or online dictionaries; some you will be able to infer from your study of Hamilton's *Mythology*. You may use the Zimmerman's *Dictionary of Classical Mythology* in your classroom as a resource. (Hint: your mythology book has an index)

Example (Set up your own list like this):

Word	Origin	Modern meaning
1. Chaotic	<b>Greeks believed that in the beginning, before the universe or any of the gods were created, there was nothing but chaos</b>	<b>Randomness; lack of any order; any confused state of things</b>

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| 2. labyrinthine     | 15. Thespian    | 28. narcissistic |
| 3. chronology       | 16. Colossal    | 29. museum       |
| 4. psyche           | 17. Lethargy    | 30. nemesis      |
| 5. morphine         | 18. Music       | 31. insomniac    |
| 6. Pandora's box    | 19. Midas touch | 32. jovial       |
| 7. Zephyr           | 20. Tantalize   | 33. siren        |
| 8. Arachnophobia    | 21. Cerebral    | 34. satirical    |
| 9. Panic            | 22. Titanic     | 35. mercurial    |
| 10. Typhoon         | 23. Cyclopean   | 36. amazonian    |
| 11. Aurora borealis | 24. Cereal      | 37. hypnotic     |
| 12. Laurels         | 25. Olympian    | 38. atlas        |
| 13. Floral          | 26. Martial     | 39. atrophy      |
| 14. Bacchanalian    | 27. fatality    | 40. harpy        |