

CLCV 205: Greek and Roman Mythology  
Study Guide for Exam II

**THE EXAM WILL BE SIMILAR IN FORMAT, QUESTION STYLE, AND SCOPE TO EXAM I**

- Slide ids (review the ppts online)
- Short ids
- Multiple choice
- Myth jeopardy –The questions will be similar in scope and style to sample myth jeopardy questions on study guide I and actual questions from the first exam. Making up your own such questions is an excellent way to prepare for all sections of the exam.
- Explain the blood and marriage relationships of secondary characters to the major heroes (as per the Heracles quiz)
- Connect labors with the appropriate folk hero and describing those labors briefly
- Passage discussion
- Mythic relevancy: questions will be direct and objective
- Movies: how the film clips screened in class from *Clash of the Titans*, *Disney's Hercules*, and/or *Jason and the Argonauts* differ from the ancient versions; questions will be direct and objective
- Comparison and discussion of heroes: e.g. in what specific ways do Heracles and Theseus (or other folk heroes) overlap (shared labors, similar biographies); discuss the folk hero and the conquest of death (return from underworld); folk hero and dragon conquest; folk hero as the “uncivilized” civilizer

**THE FOLLOWING TERMS WILL BE FAIR GAME FOR ALL SECTIONS. FOR SHORT ANSWER**, explain each of the following terms in detail: what it is and why it is significant

*Note: names that end in -us/-os/-on usually refer to men; names that end in -a/-e/-ë usually refer to women*

**Dionysus:** Semele, Ino, Nysa, Pirates, India, Phrygia, Silenus, maenad, Midas, Pan

*Cult practice:* satyr, thyrsus, sparagmos, omophagia

*Rejection:* Lycurgus, Minyas and his daughters, Icarius, Erigone, Anthesteria, Pentheus, Agave, Cadmus, Tiresias

**Hades and Death:** Homeric view of the dead (eidola, blood, etc), Polynices, Elpenor, Palinurus,

*geography:* Tartarus, Elysian fields, rivers: Styx, Acheron, Lethe, Kokytos, Phlegethon; Charon, Cerberus,

*judges:* Minos, Rhadymanthus, Aeacus;

*criminals:* Tityos, Tantalus, Sisyphus, Ixion, Danaids

**Theban Cycle:** Cadmus, Harmonia, Ares' dragon, dragon's teeth, spartoi, Zethus & Amphion, Antiope, Dirce, Lycus, Laius, Jocasta, Oedipus, Polynices, Eteocles, Ismene, Antigone, Seven against Thebes, Adrastus, Amphiaraus

**Perseus:** Io, Aegyptus, Danaus, Hypermnaestra, Lynceus, Acrisius, Danaë, Dictys, Polydectes, Gorgons: Medusa, Stheno, Euryale; Graeae, Cepheus, Andromeda, Cassiopeia, Phineus, implements loaned to Perseus by the gods, Pegasus, Chrysaor

**Herakles:** Alcmene, Amphytrion, Laelaps, Pterelaus, Comaetho, Galanthis, Linus, Iphicles, Iolus, Eurystheus,

*12 Labors:* Nemean lion, Hydra of Lerna, Kerneian Hind, Erymanthian Boar, stables of **Augeas**, Stymphalian Birds, Cretan Bull = Bull of Marathon, man-eating Horses of Diomedes, Hippolyta's Girdle, Cattle of Geryon, Apples of Hesperides (and Atlas and Ladon), Cerberus

*side labors:* lion of Thespieae, Thespius and his daughters, Megara, Pholus, Chiron, Hesione, Antaeus, Busiris, Prometheus, Iolê, Omphale, Alcestis, Admetus, Nessus, Deineira, Lichas, Philoctetes, Hebe

**Theseus:**

*Athens:* Cecrops, Erichthonius, Erechtheus, Cephelus (affair with Eos/Aurora) & Procris (attracts Minos) (Eos, Laelaps, Aura), Kreusa, Xuthos, Ion

*Crete:* Europa, Laelaps, Talus, Minos, Pasiphaë, Cretan Bull, Daedalus, Icarus, Minotaur, labyrinth, Androgeus, Nisus (king of Megara), Scylla

*Theseus:* **Aegeus** (**Aegean** sea), Pitheus, Poseidon, Aethra, Medea, Pallas, Cretan Bull = Bull of Marathon

*Major Labors:* Periphetes, Sinis, Phaia, Skiron, Cercyon, Procrustes

*Theseus in Crete:* Amphitrite and the golden crown, Ariadne, Minotaur, Daedalus, Icarus, Naxos

*Midlife Crisis:* Pirithous, Centauromachy, Hippolyta, Hippolytus, Phaedra, Helen & Persephone, Skyros

*politicizing of mythology:* Pisistratus, Cimon, Theseia, Theseum, Stoa Poikile

**Bellerophon:** Bellerophon, Proteus, Stheneboea, Iobates, Pegasus, Chimera

**Meleager:** Meleager, Althaea, Oeneus, Atalanta, Thestius and his sons  
Calydonian boar

**Atalanta:** Atalanta, Melanion, Hippomanes, Cybele

**Jason:**

*Golden Fleece:* Athamus, Nephele, Ino (the same Ino), Phrixus, Helle, golden ram, Hellespont

*Jason:* Pelias, Aeson, Argo (the ship and her builder), Argonauts (**Augeas**, Meleager, Pelius, Acastus, Castor & Pollux, Orpheus, Atalanta, Heracles, Zetes and Calais [sons of the north wind, Boreas])

*Adventures:* Lemnian women, Cyzicus, Hylas, Amycus, Phineus & Harpies, Symplegades, Stymphalian birds

*In Colchis:* Aeëtes, Medea, Circe, challenges/labors at Colchis (yoke bull, plow field, sow dragon's teeth, kill spartoi), golden fleece,

*Return to Greece:* Circe, Phaeacians, Hesperides, Talus, Medea rejuvenates Aeson, Pelias' daughters kill Pelias, Creon king of Corinth, Glauce, Medea's boys