



EXPEDITIONARY
LEARNING

Grade 6: Module 1: Unit 2

Recommended Texts



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The list below includes texts with a range of Lexile® text measures about Greek mythology. This provides appropriate independent reading for each student to help build content knowledge about the topic.

It is imperative that students read a high volume of texts at their reading level in order to continue to build the academic vocabulary and fluency demanded by the CCLS.

Where possible, texts in languages other than English are also provided. Texts are categorized into three Lexile levels that correspond to Common Core Bands: below

grade band, within band, and above band. Note, however, that Lexile® measures are just one indicator of text complexity, and teachers must use their professional judgment and consider qualitative factors as well. For more information, see Appendix 1 of the Common Core State Standards.

Common Core Band Level Text Difficulty Ranges:

(As provided in the NYSED Passage Selection Guidelines for Assessing CCSS ELA)

- Grades 2–3: 420–820L
- Grades 4–5: 740–1010L
- Grades 6–8: 925–1185L

Title	Author And Illustrator	Text Type	Lexile Measure
Lexile text measures in Grade 2–3 band level (below 740L)			
<i>Perseus and Medusa</i>	Blake A. Hoena	Graphic Novel	480
<i>The Battle of the Olympians and the Titans</i>	Cari Meister (author)	Literature	600
<i>Iris, Messenger</i>	Sarah Deming (author)	Literature	730
<i>The Sea of Monsters</i>	Rick Riordan (author)	Literature	740
<i>Heroes, Gods and Monsters of the Greek Myths</i>	Bernard Evslyn (author)	Literature	800
<i>Anatopsis</i>	Chris Abouzeid (author)	Literature	820



Title	Author And Illustrator	Text Type	Lexile Measure
Lexile text measures in Grade 4–5 band level (under 740–925L)			
<i>Nobody’s Prize</i>	Esther Friesner (author)	Literature	840
<i>Treasury of Greek Mythology: Classic Stories of Gods, Goddesses, Heroes & Monsters</i>	Donna Jo Napoli (author)	Literature	860
<i>The Beautiful Stories of Life: Six Greek Myths, Retold</i>	Cynthia Rylant (author)	Literature	890*
<i>Greek Myths</i>	Ann Turnbull (author)	Literature	910
Lexile text measures within band level (925L–1185L)			
<i>The Wanderings of Odysseus: The Story of the Odyssey</i>	Rosemary Sutcliff (author)	Literature	930*
<i>The Monsters and Creatures of Greek Mythology</i>	Don Nardo (author)	Literature	970
<i>The Heroes and Mortals of Greek Mythology</i>	Don Nardo (author)	Literature	990
<i>Greek Gods and Heroes</i>	Robert Graves (author)	Literature	990
<i>Mythology: Timeless Tales of Gods and Heroes</i>	Edith Hamilton (author)	Literature	1040
<i>The Mythology Handbook: A Course in Ancient Greek Myths</i>	Lady Hestia Evans (author)	Literature	1080
<i>The Odyssey</i>	Homer (author)	Literature	1130



Title	Author And Illustrator	Text Type	Lexile Measure
Lexile text measures above band level (under 1185L)			
<i>The Adventures of Odysseus and the Tale of Troy</i>	Padraic Colum (author)	Literature	NoLXL (YA)
<i>Greek Mythology for Teens: Classic Myths in Today's World</i>	Zachary Hamby (author)	Literature	NoLXL (YA)
<i>Gods and Heroes of Ancient Greece</i>	Gustav Schwab (author)	Literature	NoLXL (YA)
<i>100 Characters from Classical Mythology: Discover the Fascinating Stories of the Greek and Roman Deities</i>	Malcolm Day (author)	Literature	NoLXL (AD)
<i>D'Aulaires' Book of Greek Myths</i>	Ingri and Edgar Parin D'Aulaire	Literature	NoLXL