**MODERN DAY MYTHOLOGY**

**MODERN DAY MYTHS GROUP QUESTIONS**

1. What is a Myth?
2. What is the purpose of a myth? Teach lesson/Moral, Entertain…

― Responsibilities of humans

― Weaknesses and strengths of humans

― Emotions

― Rivalry and conflicts

― Ideas about evil and good

― Ideas about love and hate

― Right and wrong behaviour

― Ideas about the nature and role of women, men, and children

― Explanations of nature and the physical world

― Stories of origin

― Attitudes toward heroism and courage

― Explanations of the mysteries of life

1. Do we have myths today? What kind? Examples?

- Lochness Monster/Big Foot/Abominable Snowman

- Vampires/Werewolves/Frankenstein/Godzilla/King Kong

- Super Heroes/Star Wars/Wizards/Witches/Time Travel

- Santa Clause/Tooth Fairy/Fairy Tales/Animations

1. Do you know any ancient Myths? What do you think about them? Why?
* Movies, Books, Theme Parks, etc…
* Clash of the Titans, New Hercules Movie, Percy Jackson
1. Do you think they were meant to entertain? Inform? Lesson? Believed?
2. What “inferences” or “judgments” might futures generations make about us, based on our myths?

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Select and describe a modern day “myth.” Explain the purpose of the story and what should people learn? Use details to support your opinions.

Listen to the Legend of the Minotaur. Write a brief summary, then compare and contrast its “elements/details” to your Modern Myth. Has anything changed?