

Greek Book Project

Over the next month, you will be creating your own books about ancient Greece for 4th graders. Your goal is to make an eye-catching, informative, creative book to impart that knowledge to others. We'll go to an elementary school to read these, so you're going to be the teacher!

Some Potential Topics to Write About:

- Gods of Olympus
- Greek daily life
- Greek mythological creatures
- Greek heroes & demigods
- Greek wars
- Ask me if you have other ideas!

Assignment Guidelines:

- Most of the information is on the opposite page, but we'll go over that as a class later.
- First of all, make sure you choose a topic you're interested in. If you're bored with your topic, your reader will be too!
- As you're doing research, make sure you write down the links where you got it. I'm going to teach you to do a bibliography.
- Pictures can be printed out, traced or, better yet, drawn by hand—it's up to you.
- Book must be in your own words. In the next few weeks, we'll work on strategies to put things in your own words (plagiarism will make me give the book back to you without grading it)
- Have fun! Be creative! Remember, when you read your books to fourth graders, your book reflects you!

Greek Book Outline

(If you want to do it another way, talk to me first, please!)

Cover: Title, author's name

- Is it eye-catching?

Page 1: Title Page (can be written out): title and full name, but can be colorful

Page 2: Copyright (can be written out)

Page 3: Dedication (can be written out)

Page 4: Blank or colored

Page 5: Table of Contents

Page 6: Blank or colored

Page 7: Introduction

- Do you hook the reader?
- Do you give enough background information to the reader?
- Based on the introduction, do we know what the book is going to be about?

Page 8-23: Chapters 1-8 (Information on one page; 2 Pictures & 2 captions on opposite page)

- Do you have a title at the top of each page that is centered, and bolded, larger, and/or underlined...and does it make clear what the page is about?
- Do you have at least 150 words on each page?
- Do you have paragraphs?
- Does each paragraph talk about one main topic? (your introductory paragraph might talk about a few things, but its goal is to introduce the god/hero/creature)
- Do you use transitions between paragraphs and ideas?
- Does the first sentence of each paragraph make clear what your paragraph will be about?
- Is it age-appropriate for 3rd-5th Graders?
- Is it visually engaging? (you don't need to print in color)

Page 24: Conclusion

- Do you summarize the main point(s) of your chapters?
- Do leave us with a catchy ending (a connection to the modern world, a connection to what happened as a result of all this, or a conclusion you drew from the information)?

Page 25-26: Book Quiz (8+ questions and answers)

Page 27: Glossary (8+ glossary terms)

Page 28: Bibliography

Inside back cover: About the author/biography (with picture)