

Siren (n.)

Origin - from the Sirens, whose sweet singing lured sailors to their destruction on the rocks

Definition - dangerous, attractive woman

Example - Russia employed a bilingual siren to spy on the Trump campaign.

How was Odysseus able to hear the song of the sirens without crashing his ship?

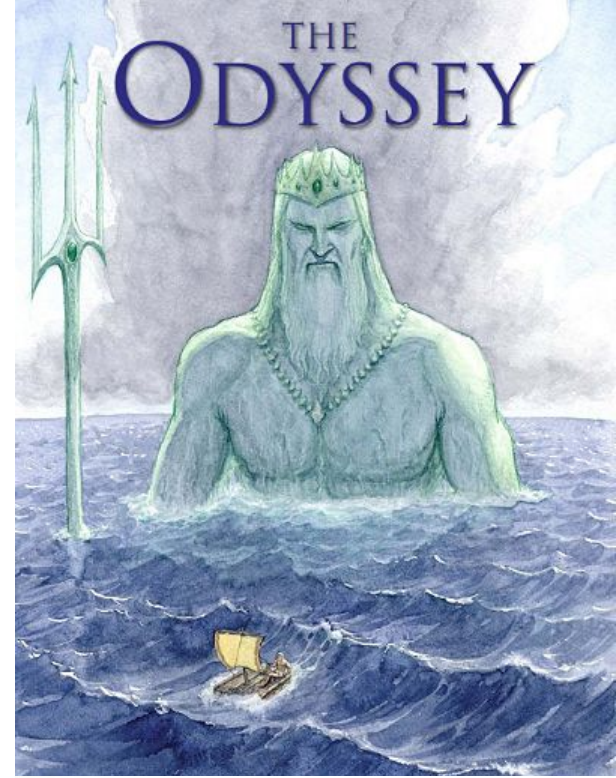


Odyssey (n.)

Origin - from the Odyssey, epic poem dealing with Odysseus' ten years of wandering after the Trojan War

Definition - long series of travels

Example - A travel agent will plan our odyssey to places of interest around the world.



Mentor (n.)

Origin - from Mentor, to whom Odysseus entrusted the education of his son

Definition - 1.wise and trusted advisor

2. tutor; coach

Example - The retiring supervisor decided to stay on for a month as a mentor to her replacement.

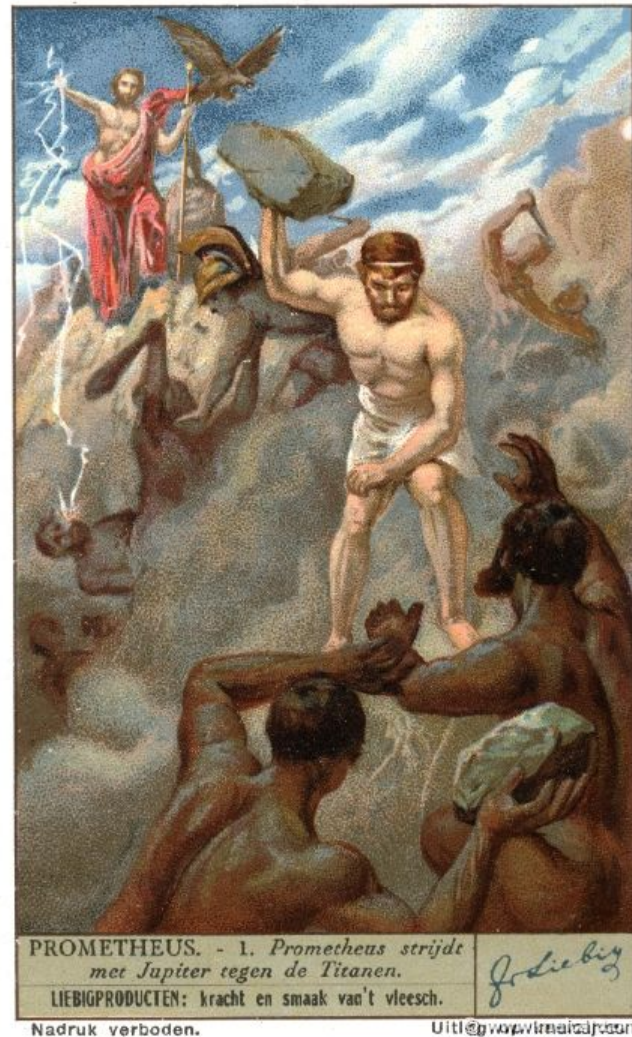


Titanic (adj.)

Origin - from the Titans, lawless, powerful giants defeated by Zeus

Definition - of enormous strength, size, or power

Example - By a titanic effort, our football team defeated both Girl's Latin *and* Blueberry Mansion.



Lethargic (adj.)

Origin - from Lethe, river in Hades whose water caused forgetfulness of the past

Definition - unnaturally drowsy; sluggish; dull

Example - For several hours after the operation, the patient was lethargic.



Where is the river Lethe, and what will happen if you bathe in it?



Iridescent (adj.)

Origin - from Iris, messenger goddess of the rainbow

Definition - having colors like the rainbow

Example - Children enjoy creating iridescent soap bubbles.

