

Prince Perseus Power Exercises

Advanced Level

Introduction to Perseus

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Note: There are many different ways to go back to web pages you have viewed using various browser menus and buttons. One method is suggested in this exercise but please use the method with which you are most comfortable.

1. Open your browser and go to the Perseus web site, <http://www.perseus.tufts.edu>.
2. Click on the "Texts" button on the home page.
3. Click on the "Ancient Greek Texts" icon.
4. How many Greek authors are represented?
5. In the list of authors, click on "Homer."

What texts are listed under Homer? _____

6. Click on "Odyssey."

Does the text look like the Greek alphabet that you have already seen? _____
Why not? _____

7. From the "Version" menu, choose "English Loeb" and click on the "Change now" button.
8. Click on "Poseidon" in line 20.
9. Click on the arrow next to "Vases."

What is the vase name (e.g., Toledo 1961.26) for the second vase from the Louvre? _____

10. Click on the vase name of the second Louvre vase.

What shape of vase is this? _____

11. Click on "Images" at the top of the page to view a list of images for this vase and then click on the image archive number of a scene depicting Poseidon.

12. From the "Go" menu in Netscape or from the "File" Menu in Internet Explorer, select "Perseus Lookup Tool" to return to the search for "Poseidon."

13. Under "Perseus Encyclopedia entries," click on "Poseidon."

Write down 3 facts about Poseidon from this page.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

14. From the "Go" menu in Netscape or from the "File" Menu in Internet Explorer, go back to *Odyssey* 1.1 (English version).

15. Read down to the end of the first paragraph and click on "Zeus."

16. Click on the arrow next to "Perseus Encyclopedia entries," and then click on Zeus (#2).

What Greek author tells us he was the son of Cronos and Rhea? _____

What two (2) authors tell us how Athena was born from his head?

1. _____
2. _____

17. Click on the Back button on your browser to return to the search for "Zeus."

18. Click on the arrow next to "Sculpture."

19. Click on the sculpture name "Boston 63.2755."

What period does this piece come from? _____

20. View all of the images for this piece.

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