

Global Folklore & Legends Essentials

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1. Which mythical creature is famously associated with guarding treasures and often depicted as a large, winged reptile capable of breathing fire?

- A) Griffin
- B) Sphinx
- C) Dragon
- D) Centaur

2. In Greek mythology, who was the king of the gods, wielding the thunderbolt as his primary weapon?

- A) Poseidon
- B) Hades
- C) Zeus
- D) Apollo

3. What is the name of the legendary sword associated with King Arthur, often said to have been pulled from a stone?

- A) Gae Bulg
- B) Excalibur
- C) Durandal
- D) Gram

4. Which creature from Norse mythology is a giant wolf, destined to kill Odin during Ragnarök?

- A) Sleipnir
- B) Jörmungandr
- C) Fenrir
- D) Garm

5. The story of 'Little Red Riding Hood' typically warns against the dangers of trusting strangers. What animal is the antagonist?

- A) Bear
- B) Wolf
- C) Fox
- D) Lion

6. In Japanese folklore, what are the mischievous, shapeshifting spirits often depicted with a distinctive 'tanuki' nose and a pot belly?

- A) Yokai
- B) Kappa
- C) Kitsune
- D) Tanuki

7. Which legendary figure is known for his incredible strength and twelve labors, often featured in ancient Greek myths?

- A) Odysseus
- B) Perseus
- C) Heracles (Hercules)
- D) Achilles

8. What is the name of the mythical island in Arthurian legend said to be the place where King Arthur was taken after his final battle?

- A) Avalon
- B) Atlantis
- C) Elysium
- D) Olympus

9. In Egyptian mythology, who is the god of the sun, often depicted with the head of a falcon?

- A) Osiris
- B) Anubis
- C) Ra
- D) Thoth

10. Which legendary creature from Slavic folklore is a fearsome witch, often depicted with iron teeth and living in a hut that stands on chicken legs?

- A) Rusalka
- B) Domovoi
- C) Baba Yaga
- D) Vodyanoy

11. The Pied Piper of Hamelin legend tells of a musician who led rats and then children out of town. What was his primary tool?

- A) Drum
- B) Harp
- C) Flute
- D) Violin

12. In the Hindu pantheon, who is the preserver and protector of the universe, often depicted with four arms?

- A) Shiva
- B) Brahma
- C) Vishnu
- D) Ganesha

13. What is the legendary flying horse, born from the blood of Medusa in Greek mythology?

- A) Pegasus
- B) Hippogriff
- C) Charybdis
- D) Cerberus

14. The story of 'Cinderella' involves a magical transformation provided by whom?

- A) A fairy godmother
- B) A talking animal
- C) A wise old woman
- D) A powerful wizard

15. Which legendary bird, in various mythologies, is said to regenerate or be reborn from ashes after it dies?

- A) Phoenix
- B) Roc
- C) Thunderbird
- D) Basilisk

16. In Arthurian legend, who was the loyal knight known for his quest for the Holy Grail and his purity?

- A) Sir Lancelot
- B) Sir Gawain
- C) Sir Galahad
- D) Sir Percival

17. What is the name of the monstrous, serpent-like sea creature often found in Norse mythology, large enough to encircle the world?

- A) Kraken
- B) Leviathan
- C) Jörmungandr
- D) Charybdis

18. The legend of Icarus warns about the dangers of flying too close to the sun. What was Icarus made of to fly?

- A) Feathers and wax
- B) Leather wings
- C) Wooden planks
- D) Magic enchanted cloth

19. In Native American folklore, which powerful spirit is often associated with wind, storms, and the sky, and typically depicted as a bird?

- A) Coyote
- B) Raven
- C) Thunderbird
- D) Hopi Kachina

20. What mythical city, said to be a utopia, was supposedly discovered by Plato?

- A) El Dorado
- B) Shangri-La
- C) Atlantis
- D) Camelot

21. In the folklore of many cultures, what small, often mischievous beings are said to live in nature and sometimes interact with humans?

- A) Ghosts
- B) Zombies
- C) Fairies
- D) Vampires

22. Which Greek god is the messenger of the gods, known for his winged sandals and caduceus staff?

- A) Ares
- B) Hephaestus
- C) Hermes
- D) Dionysus

23. The legend of the Minotaur is famously associated with a complex maze. What was this maze called?

- A) The Labyrinth
- B) The Pantheon
- C) The Acropolis
- D) The Colosseum

24. In Japanese folklore, what are the humanoid spirits or demons associated with water, often depicted as green, amphibious creatures?

- A) Kitsune
- B) Tanuki
- C) Kappa
- D) Oni

25. What creature from Mesopotamian mythology was a composite beast, often depicted as a lion with the head and wings of an eagle?

- A) Manticore
- B) Griffin
- C) Lamassu
- D) Sphinx