

Magical Creatures and Ancient Tales

Folklore & Legends · Answer Key · 18 Questions

1. What legendary creature is often depicted as a horse with a single horn on its forehead, believed to have magical healing powers?

- A) Griffin
- B) Dragon
- C) Unicorn**
- D) Sphinx

2. In many European folklore tales, what small, mischievous beings are often associated with gardens and wearing pointy hats?

- A) Gnomes**
- B) Trolls
- C) Fairies
- D) Elves

3. Which mythical bird from ancient Greek legends was said to be reborn from its own ashes after dying in a fire?

- A) Phoenix**
- B) Harpy
- C) Chimera
- D) Roc

4. What kind of creature in Norse mythology is a giant serpent that encircles the world, often seen as a symbol of chaos?

- A) Fenrir
- B) Jörmungandr**
- C) Sleipnir
- D) Odin

5. In Japanese folklore, what are the mischievous, shape-shifting spirits often depicted with a fox face and multiple tails?

- A) Oni
- B) Kappa
- C) Kitsune**
- D) Tengu

6. What legendary island, said to be a utopian paradise, is often mentioned in ancient Greek myths, particularly in relation to the hero Odysseus?

- A) Atlantis
- B) Avalon
- C) Calypso's island**
- D) Elysium

7. In Arthurian legends, what is the name of the magical sword that King Arthur pulled from a stone (or anvil) to prove his right to rule?

- A) Excalibur**
- B) Durandal
- C) Mjölnir
- D) Gungnir

8. What creature from Scottish folklore is a water spirit, often depicted as a horse that lures people to drown?

- A) Banshee
- B) Kelpie**
- C) Selkie
- D) Brownie

9. In ancient Egyptian mythology, what was the name of the jackal-headed god associated with mummification and the afterlife?

- A) Ra
- B) Osiris
- C) Anubis**
- D) Horus

10. What is the name of the mythical bird from Native American legends, often associated with the sky and storms?

- A) Thunderbird**
- B) Eagle
- C) Raven
- D) Owl

11. According to Greek mythology, who was the king of the gods, ruling from Mount Olympus?

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

12. What legendary creature is often described as a half-human, half-horse being, prominent in Greek mythology?

- A) Minotaur
- B) Centaur**
- C) Satyr
- D) Cyclops

13. In Slavic folklore, who is the fearsome witch who flies around in a mortar, sleeps in a hut on chicken legs, and eats people?

- A) Rusalka
- B) Domovoy
- C) Baba Yaga**
- D) Vodyanoy

14. What is the name of the mythological creature with the body of a lion and the head of a human (or sometimes a ram or hawk), known for riddles in Greek mythology?

- A) Griffin
- B) Sphinx**
- C) Manticore
- D) Serpent

15. Which legendary figure from Irish folklore is a mischievous fairy creature often associated with hiding pots of gold at the end of rainbows?

- A) Leprechaun**
- B) Pixie
- C) Sprite
- D) Hobgoblin

16. In the legend of King Arthur, what was the name of the enchanted forest where Merlin was said to have lived?

- A) Broceliande**
- B) Sherwood Forest
- C) The Black Forest
- D) Epping Forest

17. What mythical beast from Norse mythology is a gigantic wolf destined to kill Odin during Ragnarök?

- A) Garm
- B) Fenrir**
- C) Hati
- D) Skoll

18. In ancient Greek myths, what was the name of the gorgon with snakes for hair, whose gaze could turn people to stone?

A) Athena

B) Medusa

C) Hera

D) Aphrodite