Global Folklore and Mythological Traditions

Folklore & Legends · Answer Key · 12 Questions

1. In Norse mythology, what is the name of the bridge that connects Midgard and Asgard?

A) Ginnungagap
B) Bifrost
C) Yggdrasil
D) Valhalla

2. Which mythical creature from Greek lore is said to have snakes for hair and a gaze that turns onlookers to stone?

A) Chimera
B) Hydra
C) Medusa
D) Echidna

3. In Japanese folklore, what is the name of the 'tanuki-like' shapeshifting spirit often depicted with a large belly and wearing a straw hat?

A) Kitsune
B) Kappa
C) Bake-danuki
D) Yuki-onna

4. According to Slavic folklore, which malevolent witch lives in a hut that stands on giant chicken legs?

A) Baba Yaga
B) Vila
C) Rusalka
D) Morana

5. The legend of the 'Flying Dutchman' is a famous ghost ship story originating from the folklore of which nationality?

A) British
B) Dutch
C) Portuguese
D) Spanish

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6. Which creature in Celtic mythology is known as a harbinger of death, whose mournful wailing warns a family of an impending passing?

A) Kelpie
B) Selkie
C) Banshee
D) Pooka

7. In Arthurian legend, what is the name of the mystical island where King Arthur is taken to recover from his wounds after the Battle of Camlann?

A) Camelot
B) Tintagel
C) Avalon
D) Lyonesse

8. What is the name of the legendary Mesopotamian king who sought the secret of immortality in one of the world's oldest surviving epic poems?

A) Hammurabi
B) Gilgamesh
C) Sargon
D) Enkidu

9. In Philippine folklore, what is the name of the shapeshifting creature that separates its upper torso from its lower body at night to hunt?

A) Manananggal
B) Tikbalang
C) Kapre
D) Duwende

10. Which legendary creature from North American Indigenous folklore is often described as a malevolent, cannibalistic spirit associated with winter and greed?

A) Thunderbird
B) Wendigo
C) Piasa
D) Coyote

11. In Persian mythology, what is the name of the giant, legendary bird capable of carrying off an elephant?

A) Huma
B) Simurgh
C) Roc
D) Anqa

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12. According to Aztec mythology, which feathered serpent deity is credited with the creation of humanity and the discovery of maize?

A) Tezcatlipoca
B) Huitzilopochtli
C) Quetzalcoatl
D) Tlaloc