

Daedalus and Icarus (Part 1)



Name: _____

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Answer the questions using full sentences.

1. In which city did Daedalus live and what famous hill in that city is mentioned in the story?

2. What three occupations did Daedalus have?

3. Why did Daedalus murder his nephew?

4. Why did King Minos throw Daedalus and Icarus into the labyrinth?

5. What do you think are the advantages and disadvantages of flight as their method of escape?

6. What type of monster is a Minotaur? Find the answer to this question by researching in the library or on the computer. Present your research findings on a separate piece of paper.

Notes for teachers

Year 6 pupils are likely to study Ancient Greece as part of the history curriculum and will probably learn some of the Greek myths. They are often very complicated and generally contain many long names. The children might need some help with question 5 e.g. the advantages of flight might include the fact that King Minor might not expect it and the disadvantages could include the fact that flying had never been tried before.