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Additional information

Contents & Purpose

This unit focuses on the reading and retelling of myths as well writing skills and group participation skills. The purpose is also to “enable students to appreciate African and Greek myths” and provide the students with knowledge about past cultures, of which they may know very little. This unit was written for a school mostly populated by African-American students, hence the focus on African myths as part of making the students more familiar with them.

The creator provides introduction and discussion of African myths and oral tradition.

The unit offers 2 sample lesson plans as well teacher and students bibliography

Further comments

This unit, as others, uses comparative reading of myths from different cultures, African and Greek. By these comparative exercises, the students learn to appreciate the centrality of myths for various human cultures, and the importance of oral tradition, regardless of geographical locations. One should be cautious and aware that this unit was written in 1983 and may display a more dated approach to diversity than is practiced today.

