

**2010-11 Summer Reading for Freshmen English Students**  
**McGill-Toolen Catholic High School**

**Required Reading for all Freshmen**

*Heroes, Gods, and Monsters of the Greek Myths* by Bernard Evslin

All students will choose one of the following assignments. This work is due the first day of school.

Assignment A or B must be on standard size poster paper. It should be colorful and neatly done. The student's name should be on the back. This must be the student's work. Printed pictures or graphics from a technological source (like a computer) are unacceptable. **All work must be original.**

Idea C must be handwritten in blue or black ink, on loose leaf, no writing on the back, and double-spaced (write-one-line-skip-one-line).

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**Assignment A** - Choose one character from each of the following sections and complete the directions:

1. "The Gods" section - Chart the following information for one god: powers, source of power (if any), symbol(s), what each one controls or has dominion over, relation to Zeus / other gods ( The lay out should be "columns".)
2. "Nature Myths" section – Choose one myth and plot the important events, including characters involved and lessons learned.
3. "Demigods" section.- Choose one character and plot his adventures and accomplishments.

You may use one poster for all three sections or a separate poster for each section.

**Assignment B** - Create a movie poster involving the story of a clash or partnership of 2 or more of the gods or goddesses. The movie must have a title and the graphics should be clear. The student should be prepared to explain this project to the class during the first two days of school. **All work must be original.**

**Assignment C** - Write a 3 - 5 paragraph essay describing how Mobile and the surrounding area would be different if it was under the rule of 2 different gods or goddesses. The gods or goddesses should have contrasting characteristics.