

The myth of Icarus and Daedalus

CLICK HERE to watch the YouTube video on the myth of Icarus and Daedalus.

Based on the video you have just watched, answer the following questions.



1. Daedalus was the father of Icarus and best described as a(n):
 - A. Inventor
 - B. Sculptor
 - C. Craftsman
 - D. A and b only
 - E. All of the above
2. Why was Daedalus banned from Athens?
 - A. He invented the first dance floor
 - B. His arrogance enraged the people in the community
 - C. He murdered his nephew
 - D. He pushed the boundaries of normal society
 - E. All of the above
3. Where did Daedalus go after he was banished from Athens?
 - A. Mount Olympus
 - B. Crete
 - C. The sun
 - D. The labyrinth
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 - B. The minotaur
 - C. Icarus
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6. What did Daedalus invent that gave humans the ability to control the wind?
 - A. Mechanically animated toys
 - B. The blades of the windmill turbine
 - C. The sail and mast of the ship
 - D. Wings made of wax and feathers
7. What warning was given to Icarus?
 - A. Don't fly too close to the sun
 - B. Don't fly low near the ocean
 - C. Stay in the middle between the sky and the sea
 - D. A and b only
 - E. All of the above

8. As Daedalus watched Icarus fly toward the sun, he felt:

- A. Pride about his invention
- B. Divine power
- C. Helplessness
- D. Foolishness

9. What are some character traits that Daedalus possessed? Describe how they affected his life.

10. List 4 of Daedalus' creations that bridged the gap between mortals and gods. Describe how each challenged human limitations.

11. Based on the video, define hubris in your own words.

12. Veering (moving away) from the "path of moderation" can be both good and bad. Reflect on this thought and respond.

13. What do you think is the lesson to be learned from the myth of Daedalus and Icarus?
