International School of Monterrey

Elementary School **6th Grade**
Trimester ___ **Reading**

Name _____ **Date** _____ **List #____- ____**

Test 1 Myths and Legends

Look and read. Choose the correct words and write them on the lines.

butcher feeble staff marrow

splinter ripe

harvest dawn

orchard chariot

clump herd

debris tournament bullseye

1 This is a carriage with two wheels that is pulled by horses. _____
2 This is a word used to describe a very weak person. _____
3 This is the time of the day when sun begins to appear. _____
4 This is someone who cuts and sells meat. _____
5 This is a group of animals that live together. _____
6 This is a place where people grow fruit trees. _____
7 This is the soft fatty substance in the cavities of the bones. _____
8 These are the scattered fragments of something wrecked or destroyed. _____
9 This is a long stick used as support when walking or as a weapon. _____
10 This is a series of contests between a number of competitors, who compete for an overall prize. _____

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2 Read the text and match the parts of the sentences.

Did Atlantis exist? Or was it just a mysterious tale of a disappearing city? The Greek philosopher Plato wrote everything that we know about the mythical land of Atlantis. He lived from 427 to 348 B.C. (B.C. means before the time of Christ, when modern time began).

Plato spent much of his life writing his Dialogues, essays on Greek life and myths and culture. In a Dialogue called *Timaeus*, he wrote about a mysterious continent called Atlantis. Plato claimed that Atlantis existed some 9,000 years before his own time. Many people who lived during Plato's era thought that he invented Atlantis as a way to talk about his theories of a perfect civilization.

Strangely, although the ancient world did not believe in Atlantis, some people in the modern world do. Dr. Robert Ballard, who is famous for finding the ocean liner *Titanic* in 1985 on the bottom of the ocean, says the legend of Atlantis is "logical," as a volcano destroyed the island of Santorini near the coast of Greece 3,500 years ago. The dates don't match, but the story does. There are many theories about where Atlantis was—some even think it lies beneath the glaciers of Antarctica!

But the last word belongs to Plato. The gods were not pleased that a once-perfect society had become evil. So, says Plato, the gods sent "one terrible night of fire and earthquakes" that caused Atlantis to sink into the sea. As every Greek legend and myth proves, it is never a good thing to anger the gods!

Taken from "The Lost Continent of Atlantis"

DIRECTIONS: In the square, write the number of the part that begins the sentence.

1	Plato was a Greek ...		beneath the glaciers of the Antarctica.
2	The Ancient Greeks thought Atlantis ...		before the time of Christ.
3	Dr. Robert Ballard is ...		the sea because its people angered the gods.
4	Plato claimed that Atlantis sank into ...		3,500 years ago.
5	Dr. Robert Ballard thinks ...		famous for finding the ocean liner *Titanic*.
6	Plato's theory is that Atlantis ...		was one of Plato's theories of a perfect civilization.
7	B.C. means ...		existed 9,000 years before his own time.
8	*Dialogues* are ...		philosopher who wrote about Atlantis.
9	Some people think that Atlantis lies ...		the legend of Atlantis is logical.
10	A volcano destroyed Santorini ...		Plato's essays on Greek life, myths, and culture.

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