

Greek Mythology: Poseidon

Poseidon was the god of the sea, son of Kronos and Rhea. He became ruler of the sea when the universe was divided after the fall of the Titans. Poseidon was bad-tempered and when he became angry, he would cause earthquakes. He managed to upset even Hades, the ruler of the underworld. Poseidon was most often depicted with his trident, and sometimes riding a horse (he is sometimes claimed to be the creator of horses).

Natural disasters still leave us flummoxed, even today. So, how could earthquakes be explained in ancient times? An angry god who shook the earth is one way.

Circle the correct answer

1. Who was Poseidon?
 - a. The king of the world.
 - b. The god of the sea.
 - c. The god of the earth.

2. How earthquakes were formed?
 - a. When Poseidon became angry
 - b. When the earth was moving
 - c. When Poseidon was sad

3. Who was Hades?
 - a. The ruler of the sky
 - b. The ruler of the underworld
 - c. The God of the sea

4. Who was depicted with trident and a horse?
 - a. Hades
 - b. Poseidon