

What is a myth?



A **myth** is a story, which was made up a long time ago, to explain something that people did not understand.



Mythology is a group of myths from the same culture.

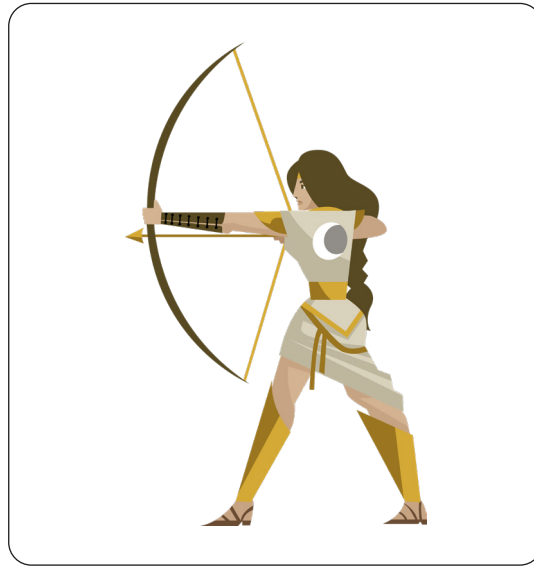


There are many well-established mythologies, such as those of the **ancient Egyptians**, the **ancient Greeks**, the **Romans**, the **Vikings** and the **Celts**.





Jupiter



Diana



Juno



Mars

The **Romans** built their mythology around **Greek** mythology. They adopted the same gods and goddesses but changed their names.



Roman myths are about the gods and goddesses and their relationships with each other, humans and other animals.



Roman myths always have a **purpose**.

They can give reasons for **natural phenomena**,
explain a **historical event** or teach people
a lesson.

