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Ovid's Metamorphoses

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General information	
<i>Title of the work</i>	Ovid's Metamorphoses
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Contents & Purpose

This lessons' unit focus on Ovid's magnum opus, the Metamorphoses and how it can be compared to other stories, from the Bible to modern prose and poetry.

The curriculum provides a brief background on Ovid and three lessons:
Lesson 1: The Metamorphoses and Genesis: A Comparison of Creation-Flood Stories

Lesson 2: The Metamorphoses and Modern Poetry: A Comparison of Mythic Characters

Lesson 3: "The Metamorphoses" and Later Works of Art: A Comparison of Mythic Imagery

Further comments

These lessons focus on comparative literature. They compare the myths narrated by Ovid to various stories, from the book of Genesis to a twentieth-century poem. The purpose is to show the universal appeal of the myths and how certain elements and stories can be found in different cultures (for example, the flood story).

By discussing these comparisons the significance of myths as cultural landmarks is accentuated and understood as well as their later influence. The myths discuss universal human emotions. Therefore, students discover the strong connection between the ancient past and other periods in European history, such as the Middle Ages, the Renaissance and modern times.

