



The Flight of Icarus

Myth

What is a Myth?



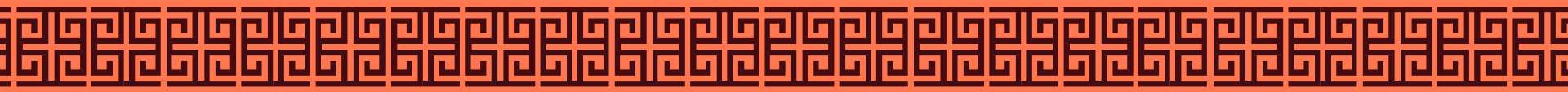
- It is an old traditional story that tries to answer basic questions about the origins of the world, events in nature, human life, and social costumes.



**What are the
elements of a
Myth?**



1. gods and other supernatural beings with special powers.
2. Unrealistic or supernatural events and settings.
3. A lesson about life or human behavior.



**What is a
Theme?**



- Is a message about life or human nature that writer shares with the reader.
- For example” “greed can lead to ruined lives” or “simple things in life are the most meaningful”.
- Sometimes you need to analyze story events and characters’ actions to make a guess about the theme of the story.



Finding the theme of a Myth

- What do the characters want?
- What do the characters do to reach goal(s)?
 - How well do they succeed and why?



Moderate



Moderate (adj.)

**kept within a
certain limit**



Prowess



Prowess

(n.)

**Strength and
courage someone
has**



Frantic



Frantic
(adj.)
Quickly and
nervously



Anxiety



Anxiety

(n.)

**Uneasy, worried
feeling**

