



Holsworthy
High School

HSIE Faculty

WORLD OF MYTHS AND LEGENDS



Why Study World Myths and Legends?

The study of Myths and Legends provides students with a solid foundation in skills necessary for most Senior subjects. It allows students to study aspects of the past that they would not look at in other History subjects. Students are able to engage thoroughly in the content through multimodal texts focusing on Film.

Students will gain **Knowledge, understanding and skills:**

- a knowledge and understanding of history and historical inquiry
- a knowledge and understanding of past societies and historical periods
- skills to undertake the processes of historical inquiry
- skills to communicate their understanding of history.

Students will be assessed using a range of methods including:

- Research Tasks
- Film based inquiry
- Extended responses
- Multimedia presentations

World of myths and legends is offered at a 100 course that students can only chose once in either Year 9 or 10. If they choose it in Year 9 they cannot continue it for year 10.

The course is as follows:

Topic 1: Constructing History

- Focus Study: Film as History
- This topic will integrate the study of film into the entire unit whilst focusing on the depiction of historical myths and legends.
- The students will learn how the study of film will contribute to our understanding of the nature of history and the ways in which historical meanings can be constructed.

Topic 2: Ancient, Medieval and Early Modern Societies

- Focus Study: The Americas, An Asian study
- This topic offers students an opportunity to study in depth the major features of an ancient, medieval or early modern society and how myths and legends were a focal point of the society.

Topic 3: Thematic Studies

Focus Study: World of Myths and Legends.

This topic forms the foundation for the rest of the course. It offers the opportunity to enjoy the study of history for its intrinsic interest.

Students should begin to work more independently and to apply the historical skills so far acquired.



The study of Myths and Legends as a course allows students to value and appreciate:

- History as a study of human experience
- The opportunity to develop a lifelong interest in and enthusiasm for history
- The nature of history as reflecting differing perspectives and viewpoints
- The opportunity to contribute to a just society through informed citizenship
- The contribution of past and present peoples to our shared heritage.



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