

Greco-Roman Origin Myths

How Words Came to Be

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Many words that are now commonly used in English had their roots in Greco-Roman mythology. *Cereal*, for example, comes from the goddess of the harvest Ceres. The phrase *Achilles heel* is derived from the one vulnerability of the Greek warrior Achilles.

Research one or two of the terms below. Then write about and illustrate your findings and share them with the class.

atlas

Herculean effort

labyrinth

Titanic

panic

Midas touch

tantalize