

Mythology Questions

Chapter 2 “The Two Great Gods of Earth”

Answer the following in **your own words**, in **complete sentences**, on **your own paper**, and **restate the question in your answer**. Be specific and thorough in your answers, using Hamilton as your source. Don't rely on your previous knowledge of the myths, and do not use websites or other sources to answer the questions. Your responses must be typed in MLA format and uploaded to TurnItIn.com.

1. *Briefly* tell the story of Demeter and Persephone. (4-5 sentences)
There are a few subplots in this story. Focus on the main, overarching story, and remember to consider the basic parts of the plotline in your summary.
2. What are two recurring topics that appear in the story of Demeter and Persephone?
Explain how they appear in the story.
Use the handout I gave you. For this question you may want to consider some of the subplots to inform your answer.
3. In what ways do the powers and ideas associated with Dionysus contradict each other?
Also, how are these contradictions appropriate for the god of wine?
4. Briefly describe Dionysus' central position in the Greeks' belief of human immortality.
For this question, consider the two different ways Dionysus is associated with life after death.