



Extension Activities

Elementary School Students

Have students go online and find out as much as they can about the five following gods associated with the sea and water: 1. Neptune or Poseidon (Greek and Roman); 2. Proteus (Greek); 3. Aegir (Norse); 4. Varuna (Hindu); and 5. Osiris (Egyptian). Have them complete the following cloze sentences:

The God Proteus could _____.

Poseidon is the _____ name for Neptune who is a _____ god.

Aegir is the _____ god of water.

Varuna is the Indian god of _____ and _____.

Osiris is associated with the flooding of the _____ river.

Multimedia



Have students create a Power Point™ presentation about the five water gods listed above. They should include a picture and a one-paragraph description of each god. Their presentations can be printed out and made into pamphlets, presented in class or published on the Internet.

Middle School Students

Have students see how many water gods from different cultures they can find in the following word search puzzle (there are seventeen). Have them do a scavenger hunt online in competition with each other to identify the largest number in the puzzle and then identify the religion and culture from which they came.

AEGIR	NEPTUNE	PROTEUS
DAGON	NEREUS	SCYLLA
ENKI	OANNES	TRITON
FUXI	OCEANUS	VARUNA
GLAUCUS	OLOKUN	WATER
GODS	OSIRIS	
NAIAD	POSEIDON	

Q C F J L Z U W I M J O S M R
 Z I X U F M T Z X P V S C D U
 E P K O W L V P R M A U Y X H
 I E S N S A L O A E R N L K K
 N B D E E I T S U C U A L G J
 C V M G N E R E U S N E A T D
 N T I C U N N I R Y A C G P K
 D R G S W U A D S F N O G A D
 A I T A T K I O W Y D O D E G
 E T Z P Z O A N F S H U M E Q
 P O E T N L D H M Q O E E W A
 N N D H F O B N K E C P M I D
 N E C G A I B K R F C L H M B
 O N I G B T P V I F P T Y M V
 L E Y Y O T Y H X R O K U O K

* Note: If you think the puzzle is too difficult for your students without the names, give them the seventeen names and have them search for the words in the puzzle.