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“Arachne the Weaver” Class Tapestry

Group 1 - First

First, Arachne weaves beautiful tapestries on a loom while many visitors flatter her by saying she weaves like the goddess Athena.

Group 2 - Next

Athena disguises herself as an old woman after she hears about Arachne’s boastful words declaring herself the best weaver in the world.

Group 3 - Then

Arachne is surprised when she discovers that the old woman is really the goddess Athena.

Group 4 - And Then

Arachne and Athena have a weaving contest, which Athena clearly wins.

Group 5 - Last

Athena changes Arachne into a spider—after Arachne declares she will never weave again—so that Arachne will always continue to use her special gift.

Greek Myths Chart			
Myth	Mythical Creatures	Greek Gods and Goddesses	Tries to Explain . . . / Tries to Teach the Lesson:
“Prometheus and Pandora”		Zeus, Prometheus, Epimetheus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • how humans and animals were created • how humans got fire • how evil and sorrow came into the world
“Demeter and Persephone”		Zeus, Demeter, Persephone, Hades, Helios	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the changing of the seasons • the life cycle of plants
“Arachne the Weaver”			

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“Demeter and Persephone”	Cerberus	Zeus, Demeter, Persephone, Hades, Helios	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the changing of the seasons • the life cycle of plants
“Arachne the Weaver”	None	Athena	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • how the first spider was created • do not be too proud or boastful
“Theseus and the Minotaur”	Minotaur	None	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • explains how the Aegean Sea was named

Element	Definition	Example in Greek Myths
Characters	the people, animals, creatures, gods/goddesses in the story	gods and goddesses, mythical creatures, heroes, people
Setting	where the story takes place	Mount Olympus, ancient Greece, underworld, earth, etc.
Plot	the events that happen in a story, usually a problem that is solved; this can be split into beginning, middle, and end	explaining something in nature like the changing seasons, how animals came to be; teaching a moral lesson, such as that in “Arachne the Weaver,” etc.

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