

Ciuf ciuf, Myths & Legends of Ancient Greece

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General information	
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Additional information

Contents & Purpose

An off-screen narrator recounts mythical stories to children, covering their main points, as the stories are enacted by stylized silent characters in cartoon animations.

The main ancient Greek mythical characters presented in the channel are: Apollo; Cassandra; Hercules; Medusa; Mithras; Poseidon; Prometheus; and Zeus.

The language is simple and suitable for a child audience. The narrative turning points are stressed through straight-forward comments and remarks which help add a didactic element to the story (for example, the story of King Midas ends with a moralistic observation: «il re imparò un'importante lezione quel giorno, e non volle più oro e rose», 'the king learnt an important lesson that day, and wanted neither gold nor roses anymore').

The stories are modified for children, with sexual intercourses being presented as kisses, and characters performing evil deeds depicted not as evil, but rather, mistaken.

Further comments

The videos might be used as enjoyable educational support material, and might be recommended as a didactic adjunct for the children's autonomous homework. A previous knowledge of characters and stories might be helpful, but is not essential.

