Writing a Modern-Day Greek Myth

Using <u>abstraction</u> to tell a modern tale while drawing from the past

Name:	Period:
 Select one of the myths below: Athena and Poseidon compete for a coastal town King Sisyphus of Corinth tricks Hades Icarus flies too close to the sun Persephone and Demeter invent seasons 	 The fortune teller who speaks in riddles Apollo and the Trojan Horse Ares, God of War, and the magical rock Opening Pandora's Box
2. Summarize your myth in a paragraph:	

3. In one or two sentences, describe how you are going to modernize this myth:				

4. Write your modern myth as a roughly three minute play on lined paper!

Rubric

	Doesn't meet expectations [0]	Approaching expectations [1-4]	Meets expectations [5-8]	Exceeds expectations [9-10]
Myth summary	Summary not completed	Myth was summarized in a single sentence Summary was missing important details	Myth was summarized in paragraph form Summary included some important details	Myth was summarized in a well-structured paragraph Summary included all important details
Modern myth: creativity and effort	Myth not modernized – nothing about the story was changed, or it doesn't fit in the present day	Myth was changed slightly, but did not show much creativity or effort	Myth was changed to fit somewhat in the present day Modernized myth shows some creativity and effort	Myth was changed to fit very well in the present day Modernized myth is very creative and shows a great deal of effort
Modern myth: script	Script not completed	Script is hard to read Script is not well organized	Script is easy to read and well organized	Script is a professional- looking document that could be performed by any actor
Modern myth: performance	Team refused to perform or had nothing to perform	Team struggles to complete performance Team does not treat their performance seriously	Team completes performance Team treats their performance somewhat seriously	Team completes an entertaining and fun performance while also treating it seriously

Score	:	/ 40
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