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Spelling Vocabulary H25

ANSWER KEY

Words from Mythology and Literature · Reading: Fiction Study

Read each definition. Write the spelling word that matches it.

1. **dystopia** — a terrible society
2. **draconian** — very harsh
3. **quixotic** — idealistic but impractical
4. **herculean** — needing huge strength
5. **fable** — a story with a moral
6. **parable** — a simple story that teaches
7. **narrator** — the one who tells a story
8. **perspective** — a point of view
9. **gargantuan** — enormous
10. **symbolism** — using objects to stand for ideas
11. **motif** — a repeated idea or image
12. **odyssey** — a long, adventurous journey
13. **machiavellian** — sly and scheming
14. **lilliputian** — tiny
15. **resolution** — how a story's problem is solved
16. **nemesis** — an enemy that cannot be beaten
17. **utopia** — a perfect place
18. **conflict** — the problem in a story
19. **mercurial** — changing moods quickly
20. **pandemonium** — wild uproar

WORD BANK

conflict	machiavellian	utopia	motif
parable	lilliputian	nemesis	perspective
quixotic	pandemonium	resolution	mercurial
dystopia	odyssey	draconian	fable
narrator	herculean	gargantuan	symbolism