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### Enjoyment & Holiday Home Work Sheet Class - VIII

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#### I'M FASCINATED BY ALMOST ANY MYTHOLOGY THAT I CAN GET MY HANDS ON.

Dear Students, keeping the above mentioned quote in mind let's celebrate this summer vacation by doing an Enjoyment Sheets based on **Indian Mythology**.

Do you know that Indian Mythology is one of the richest elements of Indian Culture, which enriches it further and makes it a unique one in the world.

The lives of the characters of Indian Mythology can be constructed from several stories scattered throughout various sources.

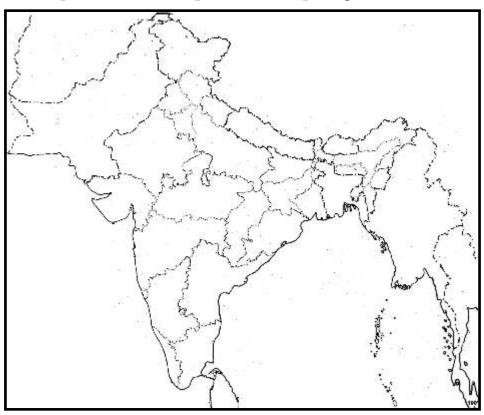
The stories vary from subtle maxim conveying tales of Panchatantra and Jataka tales to subtle life paradigm defining stories from the Bhagwat, Gita, Ramayana and Mahabharata.

Our effort through this Enjoyment sheet is to demystify the myths associated with Indian Mythology by a series of activities which are enlightening, educational and full of fun.



The most endearing epic of all times - the 'Ramayana' is replete with enchanting places. So starting with - a map let's have some fun by doing a map spotting activity based on this great epic.

Mark 5 important places that are referred in the epic, the Ramayana and write the importance of these places in the space given below the map.



The Characters of Indian mythology are unique and will not be found anywhere else.

Curses and boons are an integral part of Mythological stories. There are some interesting boons and curses related in Indian Mythology.

Let see how much you know about them.

Who cursed Rama that he will soon loose his wife Sita?

What did Arjuna receive from Lord Shiva?

Who blessed Hanuman with the boon that no weapon could harm him?

Life is a boon but Krishna cursed some one to live forever. Who is this cursed immortal man?

In the battle of Mahabharata, the wheel of Karna's Chariot got struck. It was due to a curse of -

## The Famous Questionnaire

The **Yakhsa Prashna** is set up at the end of twelve years of exile of the Pandavas in the forest. In the great epic Mahabharata, Maharaja Yudhisthira, the son of Dharmaraja is the embodiment of all good qualities. One day while living in exile in the forest, Yudhisthira finds that while attempting to drink water from a lake, all his brothers have been killed by a mysterious Yaksha (a celestial entity). When Yudhisthira arrives, the Yaksha challenges him to answer all his questions or else face the same consequences as his brothers.

Think yourself to be the Yakhsa & Frame some questions that you would like to ask Yudhisthira on his life and time.

#### **Questions**:

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There are many names and places that are related to the two Great Epics - 'Mahabharata & Ramayana.

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*Try to find out the names and places from the grid given below :* 

After doing this interesting grid game, it's time to segregate the names and places of the two great epics under their title.

	amayana	The Mahabharata						
<u>Name</u>	Place	<u>Name</u>	<u>Place</u>					

What is common in 'Ramayana and Lahartara'?

### Parallel Names in Indian and Other Mythologies

Here is a list of names from other Mythologies. Can you write the correct Indian Mythologies characters in front of them. They are the Gods and Goddess of -

(1)	Uranus		
(2)	Gaia		
(3)	Gwydion		
(4)	Agnar		
(5)	Gahmuret		
(6)	Geirrodr		
(7)	Peredur		
(8)	Achilles		
(9)	Perseus		
(Indra, G	Cayatri, Agni, Garuda, Vishnu, Varuna,	Vasishtha, Parashurama, Ach	halas)

### Indian themes and Parallels

Match the thematic parallels of the other Indo European myths with the Indian themes.

Indo European Myths	Indian Themes
<ol> <li>(1) the almost identical Norse sacrifice of the giant Ymir to create the world.</li> <li>(2) Merlin or Myrddin, mentor of Arthur.</li> <li>(3) the blue-throated Irish Gaedil after a</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>(a) the attempt to kill the infant Krishna</li> <li>by his uncle.</li> <li>(b) Viswamitra, the magus and guide of</li> <li>Rama.</li> <li>(c) the supposed sacrifice of Brahma to</li> </ul>
<ul><li>serpent's bite.</li><li>(4) the Irish hero Cuchulain's single- handed defense of Ulster.</li><li>(5) Arthur's attempt to kill his nephew Mordred.</li></ul>	<ul> <li>create the heavens and the earth.</li> <li>(d) the blue-throated God Shiva who drinks poison.</li> <li>(e) Uttara single-handedly looked after his father's kingdom when the army had been lured away.</li> </ul>

### Pantheon

Vishnu is known as the preserver aspect of Brahmin. In his four hand he carries at all times, a louts a conch shell, a club and a discus. His willingness to incarnate in time of need to restore righteousness was inspiring and made him both absolute and a compassionate giver of grace and he is believed to have ten avatars or incarnations. Can you arrange them in sequence from the avatars given below.

(10)		ırama, Krishna, Narsimha, Vamana.	
(7)	(8)	(9)	
(4)	(5)	(6)	
(1)	(2)	(3)	

Do you l	know?
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The roots of mythology that evolved from classical Hinduism come from the times of the Vedic civilzation. The four Vedas, notably the hymns of the Rig Veda, contain allusions to many themes. The Vedas are fou in number, namely Rig Veda, Yajur Veda, Sama Veda, and the Atharva Veda. Some of the texts mention mythological concepts and machines very much similar to modern day scientific theories and machines.

# *Turn for your creativity !*

Thinking your self to be a young writer, what name will you give to your book which will be based on all these four Vedas including a message that you would like to give to your classmates ?

## The treasure of Immense knowledge

यदा यदा हि धर्मस्य ग्लानिर्भवति भारत। अभ्युत्थानम् अधर्मस्य तदात्मानं सृजाम्यहम्।। Lord Krishna was indeed the great guru of how to live life on earth. Like all great men, his life was dedicated to helping man fathom the sacred realm of supreme knowledge. Lord Krishna is the embodiment of his own teachings,

and the Bhagavad Gita is his greatest message and mission to deliver us the knowledge that we all strive to seek.

You are a messenger of Lord Krishna, what message, principles and values would you like to inculcate in your self and in the society?

Sever the ignorant doubt in your heart with the sword of self-knowledge. Observe your discipline. Arise. -Srimadbhagwadgita



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### **Holiday Homework**

### Class - VIII

Interdisciplinary Project - Make a compiled project as per instructions given in the syllabus. (Refer to Page no. 9)

### English

- 1. Read any book from Suggested Reading and write the Synopsis of the book. (to be done in the language copy)
- 2. Reading for Pleasure Read the book 'Charlie & the Chocolate Factory'. It is subjected to examination. Reading for Pleasure Exam will be held on 9<sup>th</sup> August '17.
- **3. Complete Project-1** (Ref. to Pg. 60 of My English Folder Course book.) to be done in the language copy.

### Hindi

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### Maths (to be done in the Maths copy)

1. The Logical Reasoning Assignment given in Learner's Comate to be done.

#### **Disaster Management**

Prepare a project report on the topic given for Disaster Management. (Refer to Pg. No. 101 from your syllabi)

### Drawing

Complete Cave painting (Pg. No.74) (Only for the students who have opted for drawing).

### Ev.S.

Prepare a project report on the topic given for Ev.S. (Refer to Pg. No. - 100) from your syllabi.

### Music

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The Best completed Enjoyment Sheet submitted on time will be awarded a certificate of appreciation. Submit your holiday homework and Awareness Sheet on 30<sup>th</sup> June '17