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# Words from Mythology

Word/Term	Allusion	Definition
Achilles' heel	Achilles	weakness; downfall
Adonis	Adonis	handsome young man
amazon	Amazon	tall, strong woman
arachnid	Arachne	arthropod (spider)
atlas	Atlas	book of maps
cereal	Ceres	grain
chaos	Chaos	complete confusion
chronological	Chronos	in time order
cupid	Cupid	matchmaker
echo	Echo	bouncing sound
fate	the Fates	destiny
fortune	Fortuna	wealth
fury	the Furies	intense anger
gigantic	giants	huge
harpy	harpies	unpleasant woman
Herculean	Hercules	requiring strength
hypnosis	Hypnos	state of sleep
iris	Iris	colored part of eye; flower
jovial	Jove	jolly
lunatic	Luna	crazy



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martial	Mars	relating to war
mercurial	Mercury	temperamental
Midas touch	Midas	ability to make money
muse	the Muses	inspiration
narcissism	Narcissus	self-love
nemesis	Nemesis	rival, enemy
nymph	nymphs	young girl or insect
ocean	Oceanus	large body of water
oracle	oracle	wise person, prophet
Pandora's box	Pandora	source of trouble
phobia	Phobos	fear
phoenix	phoenix	person who has recovered
psychology	Psyche	study of human mind
siren	sirens	alarm; temptress
tantalize	Tantalus	tempt
titanic	Titans	huge
Trojan horse	Trojans	hidden truth
typhoon	Typhon	hurricane
volcano	Vulcan	mountain of lava
zephyr	Zephyrus	gentle breeze



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