**Creative Writing Activity**

Your assignment is to write and illustrate an original myth. Your myth needs to explain how something happens, how something came to be, teach a lesson, or answer a question. You will attach your myth to a larger piece of paper that you illustrate for your myth.

Examples:

Explain why a skunk has a white stripe down its back.

Explain why turtles are slow.

Explain why we have rainbows.

Explain why we have “The Golden Rule”

You could even brainstorm questions that are still unanswered even today and write and illustrate a modern myth that answers that question.

Examples:

What happened to dinosaurs?

Is there life on other planets?

What happened to Amelia Earhart?

Is the Bermuda Triangle responsible for missing planes and ships?

**Guidelines:**

1. Your myth must be original and not a reproduction of one that already exists. It should be original and creative.
2. Your myth needs to have at least 2 characters.
3. Your myth needs to contain descriptive and detailed language.
4. Your myth needs to contain two cultural ideas or details, such as important values, objects, animals, or practices that show how people live, think, believe, etc.
5. Your myth needs to contain 3 literary devices, such as alliteration, personification, metaphor, or simile.
6. Your myth should contain supernatural or magical elements.
7. Your myth should be at least 1 page in length, written in paragraph format with illustrations surrounding the finished piece.