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## **Orpheus and Eurydice**

# Read the story carefully, then answer the following questions in as much detail as you can:

- 1. How do we know that Orpheus' music was so powerful? Find three reasons.
- 2. What happened when Eurydice ran from Aristaeus?
- 3. Find three words in the story which express how Orpheus felt when Eurydice died.
- 4. Why did Hades allow Orpheus to try and get Eurydice back?
- 5. Orpheus faced three obstacles on his journey out of the underworld. What were these obstacles? Which do you think was the most challenging and why?
- 6. Use evidence from the text to draw and label a picture of Cerberus.
- 7. How do we know that Orpheus was scared of Cerberus? Find three examples from the text.
- 8. What was Orpheus restrained by as he crossed the river? Use your imagination and knowledge of other Greek myths to explain what you think these could be.
- 9. Why did Orpheus look back across the river for Eurydice?
- 10. Was Orpheus' quest really so difficult? Explain your answer in detail.

#### Challenge:

Can you write an additional obstacle for Orpheus into the story?

