I-Spy in the World of Myth and Legend



The gardens of Castle Howard are populated with figures from the world of ancient legends. Can you find each of the statues below, and then match the details shown overleaf to the relevant figure?





















Find out more about these legendary characters on the next page...



Who are the figures shown in the statues?

- 1. Hercules was the strongest man in the world; one of his twelve tasks was to steal the golden apples belonging to the god Zeus.
- 2. Silenus was the tutor to the god Bacchus, caring for him since he was small child.
- 3. Bacchus was the god of the grape harvest who taught men how to make wine; he is often accompanied by a panther.
- 4. Meleager was a famous hunter who killed the wild boar that had been terrorising the kingdom of Calydon.
- 5. Apollo was the god of the sun and of learning, and is also said to have invented archery.
- 6. The Calydonian Boar is known as 'Il Porcellino' in Italian (meaning piglet); this famous sculpture was made in Rome in the 16th century.
- 7. Fauns were half-human, half-goat creatures who lived in forests; this figure is carrying a kid or baby goat.
- 8. The Fighting Gladiator is one of the athletic warriors of the ancient world who would fight one another in the arena.
- 9. The Dancing Faun depicts a young male figure with cymbals in his hands, and a scabellum on one foot this is a percussion instrument strapped to a sandal.
- 10. Spinario is the figure of a young boy removing a thorn from his foot only after he had delivered an urgent message to Rome.

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