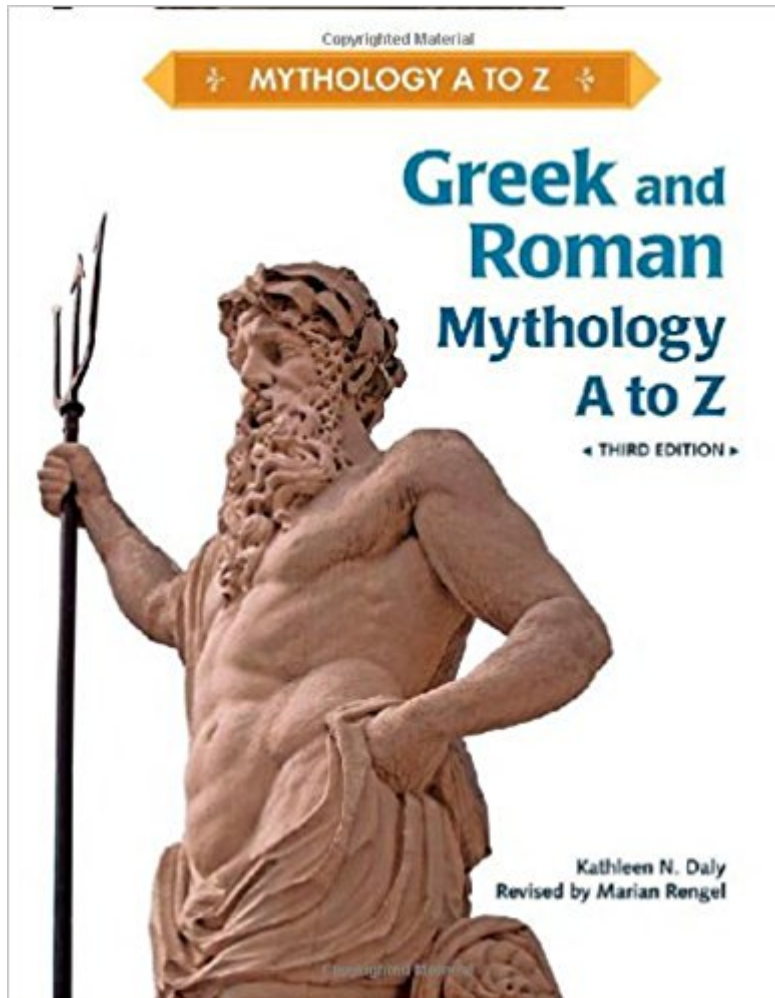




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This well-received and accessible book for young adults has been updated. It is part of an expanded Mythology A to Z series that also includes volumes on Egyptian(2000), Japanese (2003), and Norse mythology (2003). Other volumes will cover African, Celtic, Chinese, Native American, and South and Meso-American mythologies. Greek and Roman Mythology A to Z has more than 500 alphabetically arranged entries, ranging in length from a paragraph to several pages. Of these, more than 60 are new, and many others have been expanded. It features occasional black-and-white illustrations--some full page--a detailed index, and extensive cross-referencing. There is also a bibliography of mainly adult-level books published the past several decades. Not as visually enticing as the DK Illustrated Dictionary of Mythology: Heroes, Heroines, Gods, and Goddesses from around the World (DK, 1998), and featuring dictionary-type articles as opposed to

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This is a great book if you just need to look up some quick information on a Greek or Roman god. It does go into detail on some of the more important characters like Hercules, but most just have a few paragraphs. My main complaint is that even though it says "Greek AND ROMAN Mythology" about 75% of the characters covered are Greek in origin. It is nice that each character is labeled as either Greek or Roman though. This made writing my Roman Mythology paper much easier. A good book for anyone interested in Mythology :)

Nice encyclopedia for quick reference. Good source material, written for juveniles but good for any reference library.

We bought this for my son who is an avid reader and lover of all mythology. He wanted this book because he hoped it would present some new myths he hadn't hear about yet. Unfortunately, the book reads more like a dictionary than a collection of myths. He was disappointed and didn't even finish reading it. Plus, he didn't find anything new; just the most common myths he already knew all about. It's now gathering dust in his room-maybe we'll donate it :(

The book is very basic and Childish encyclopedia of Mythology. Good for younger students, but not enough information for a scholarly study.

The book Greek and Roman Mythology A-Z by Kathleen N. Daly is an excellent account of Greek and Roman culture. It is updated to recent facts and contains perpetuate amounts of self-reference to its own chapters. Its easy to find information is key to any mythology lover or student looking for

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