

The myth of Cronus by E. M. Berens explains how time began. In the myth, it talks about how Uranus and Gaea started their family of titans. Uranus was not proud of some of his children and hid them away, which upset Gaea. Gaea asked her son Cronus to overthrow his father and save her children. He did defeat his father, but did not save his brothers. Cronus married his sister and had six children. He ate the first five because his father, Uranus, predicted his children would overthrow him. Rhea, his wife, saved the 6th child, Zeus, by hiding him on earth. When Zeus reached manhood, he rescued his siblings and defeated Cronus.

A theme that is woven throughout both the myth of Cronus and The Lightning Thief is sometimes the people you think are the closest to you are the ones who betray you. One piece of evidence from the myth of Cronus that shows this theme is when Cronus overthrows his father, but does not save his Cyclops brothers like his mother asked him to. Sons are supposed to listen their mothers. He did not. In the book The Lightning Thief, the main character Percy Jackson is betrayed by his friend Luke who had taught him how to fight with a sword. As you can see, both stories show someone who was thought to be close, betraying them.

Mythology is important today because

There are a few things one can learn from the myth of Cronus. One important lesson one can learn is not to be selfish. The lesson is demonstrated by how Cronus treated his children. If he had not been selfish and worried about his power, maybe his children would not have overthrown and banished him. Another life lesson that can be learned from the myth is

I think Rick Riordan included the myth of Cronus in his novel The Lightning Thief because