

PANDORA'S Box



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Make Inferences

What clues do you see that tell you what the story might be about?



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A long time ago, Zeus ruled the world. The world was good, and bad things didn't happen anywhere. Zeus kept all bad things in a box and away from his people.

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Pandora was Zeus's daughter. Zeus loved her very much. She was very kind, but she was also very curious.

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One day, Pandora met a man.
Zeus did not like this man.



Still, Pandora and
the man got married.
Zeus was very angry.



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Zeus put a lock on the box of bad things. Then he gave the box to Pandora. Pandora loved the box.



Zeus gave a small key to Pandora's husband. Zeus told him, "Do not let Pandora open the box. It is dangerous." Zeus knew Pandora would want to open the box. He wanted Pandora to be angry with her husband.

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What happened in this myth?

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Evaluate Author's Purpose

What lesson did the author want you to learn from this myth?