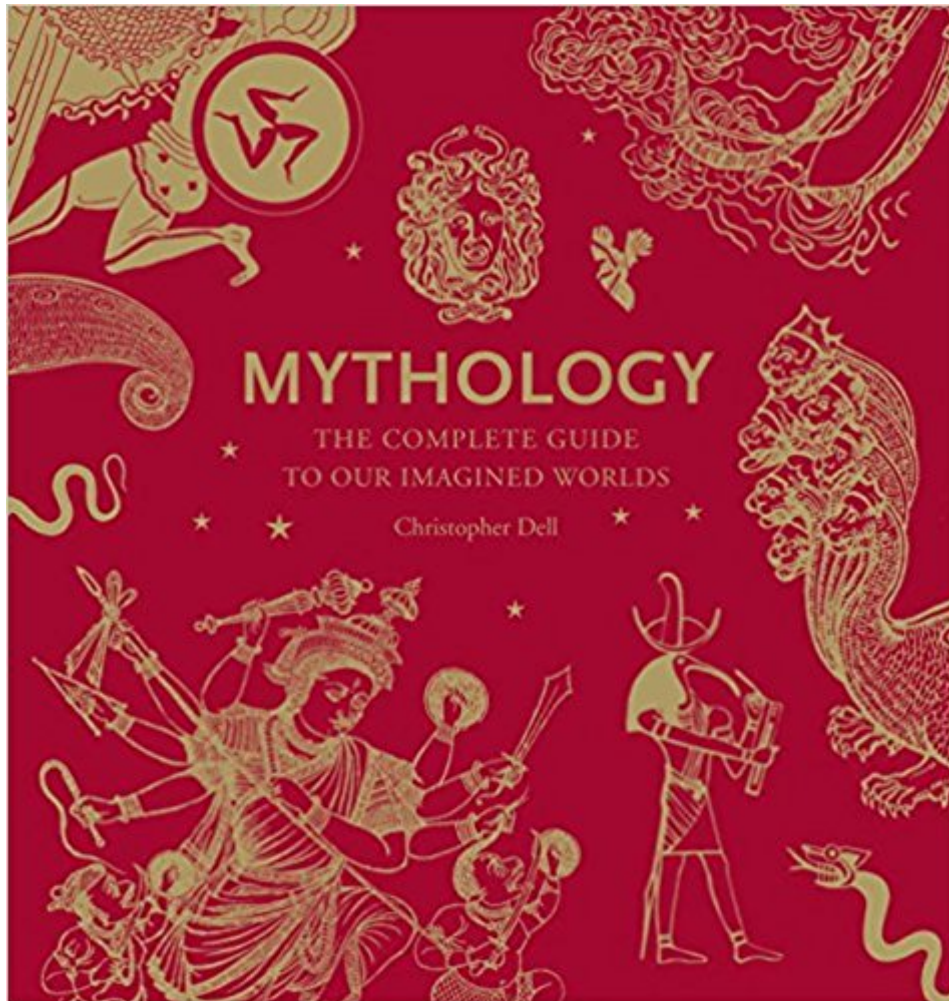




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This book organizes the myths of many different cultures by subject matter. I enjoyed the fact that it does not focus completely on Greek and Roman mythology but includes many other cultures as well. Unfortunately the text is somewhat dry, but the pictures make up for it. There are photographs of classical statuary, paintings and relics from all over the world. I would recommend this book to anyone who loves mythology.

I just started getting into reading about different Mythologies and this was a great place for me to

start. It covers a vast range of different myths from creation, the flood and other crazy stories from all over the world. The Pictures are really clear and detailed and help drive the imagination. I would have liked a little more information, some myths were vague, or just very little information. But as I said this was a great place for me to start and now if I wanted I could research different myths more in depth that interested me. Definitely worth picking up and adding it your personal library.

Recently a friend of mine bought the other book by Dell about monsters and demons and I was awestruck with the illustrations. When I saw there was a mythology book I had to grab it. It's a great book over all, but the pictures aren't as exciting or fun as in the other book. So 4 stars for the content. I'd give it 4.5 if I could, but again I was hoping for more amazing illustrations like in the other book, no the classic illustrations within.

I love how this book is organized by theme, and the photographs are beautiful.

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