

Questions for the Story of Pygmalion and Galatea

Instructions: Answer the following questions in complete sentences as you will be sharing this story with your cartography team.

1. What is the problem Pygmalion has with women at the beginning of the story?
Pygmalion always dates the wrong women.
2. What art form does he turn to in his sorrow?
Pygmalion turns to sculpting.
3. What form is the special sculpture carved in the shape of in Pygmalion's home?
The form of the special sculpture is of a fair maiden.
4. What is the name Pygmalion gives to his special sculpture?
Pygmalion names her Galatea.
5. What wish does Pygmalion express at the altar during the festival of Aphrodite?
Pygmalion expresses a wish for a maiden like the "ivory maiden" to be his wife.
6. What does Pygmalion really want to ask at the altar during the festival of Aphrodite?
Pygmalion really wants to ask for the ivory maiden to be his wife.
7. What is the name of the goddess that helps Pygmalion achieve his wish?
Aphrodite is the goddess that helps Pygmalion achieve his wish.
8. What happens when Pygmalion arrives home after the festival?
Galatea comes to life when Pygmalion touches her.
9. What is one way this story might have been different if Pygmalion had gotten married early in life?
Answers will vary. Ex. Pygmalion would maybe have never been good at sculpting.
10. What is the story location clue in the Story of Pygmalion and Galatea?
Pygmalion and Galatea lived out their days in the city of Paphos. Paphos is located west of the Troodos Mountain Range along the western coast of Cyprus. This city is also north and west of Aphrodite's Rock.