Creating Your Own Mythical Creature















How would you describe one of these mythical creatures?

Describe it to someone at home.

Can they guess which one you are describing?

Click on this link and watch the video. What conclusion does it give about how to include strong images in your writing?

LOCH NESS MONSTER DESCRIPTION

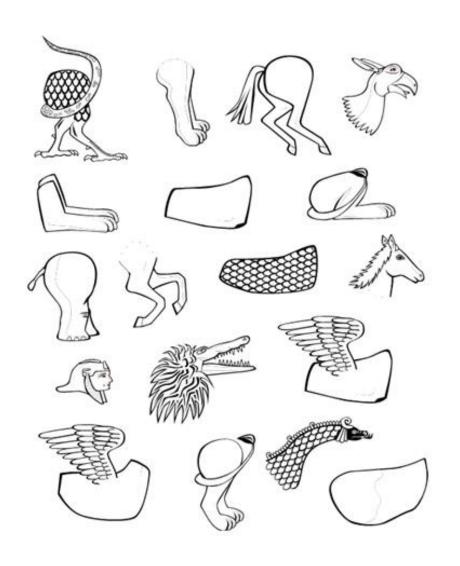


Lisnabat (Lion, Snake, Bat) Hybrid

Read through this text. What language ideas can you steal from it? Glistening in the sunlight, a golden mane surrounded the beast's fierce face. Two piercing eyes searched the Savannah for its next unknowing victim. Drooling, the mammal licked its protruding lips which hid pearly white teeth like a trap door of terror.

However, unlike normal big cats, its scaly body silently slithered across the rough ground as sneakily as an assassin. Each scale reflected its surrounding, causing it to become almost invisible to its prey's watchful eyes. Although the carnivore travelled on its stomach, it was still as quick as lightning.

Unusually, sprouting from its back were an enormous pair of wings which glided gracefully through the air. Covering these wings were thick, jet-black feathers. However, some appeared blood red in the night sky. It used these wings to search for its unknowing prey.



Your Task: To Draw and Describe Your Own Mythical Creature.

- 1. Draw a picture of your creature. Are they a combination of other creatures, either real or mythical?
- 2. Write a description like the one on the previous page.

Tips:

- Start from the head then go down to the feet/claws/hooves
- Use your senses (smell, sound)
- •Use action- show the creature doing something that shows what it is like
- •Use figurative language e.g. similes and metaphor to create a strong image.