

- READER 1:** Prometheus and his brother, Epimetheus were given a gigantic job, creating animals for the world.
- READER 2:** Now, this task was not too big for the brothers, because, after all, they were titans, earth gods who were immortal.
- READER 3:** The two titans had tremendous powers, and Zeus, the chief god of the Greeks, had commissioned them to create all kinds of animals and to give them special gifts.
- READER 4:** The brothers were alike in physical ways, but they did not think the same.
- READER 1:** Prometheus always thought ahead. His name even meant "forethought."
- READER 2:** Unfortunately, Epimetheus never thought ahead. He was impulsive, and his thoughtless actions often caused him difficulty.
- READER 3:** While Prometheus was thinking about what type of animals to create, Epimetheus was creating animals.
- READER 4:** As you might guess, there were some strange-looking animals being created. Epimetheus was having a lot of fun.
- READER 1:** He made one animal with one horn in the center of its head. He made another with an extremely long neck. Then he made an animal with huge ears.

READER 2: When Prometheus saw what his brother was doing, he was not pleased.

PROMETHEUS: Brother, don't you ever think? How are those creatures going to protect themselves? How will they survive?

EPIMETHEUS: Zeus said we could give each creature a special gift. I will make certain that each of the animals has a means of protection and survival.

READER 3: Prometheus shook his head sadly and walked to the river bank and sat.

PROMETHEUS: These animals will make the earth a more pleasant place, but earth is still just a garden for the gods. Something is still missing.

READER 4: As Prometheus sat thinking, he idly picked up a piece of clay and started shaping it into a figure.

READER 1: He made the figure in the shape of the gods. Of course, it was very small compared to the gods, but it was god-like in appearance.

READER 2: Prometheus smiled and picked up more clay. Soon, he had created several men.

READER 3: When he finished, he blew breath into them, and the men came to life.