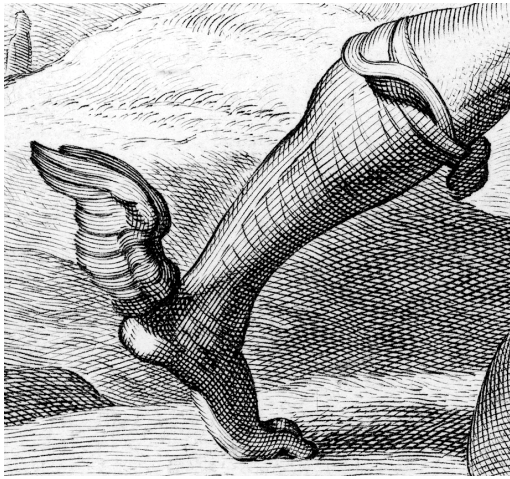


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FLEET-FOOTED HERMES

Read the passage below and circle or underline all of the words with "ee" or "oo" then sort them into the appropriate columns. Do not include duplicates. There are 17 in all.

An epithet is like a cool nickname. It describes the qualities of the one being named. Hermes was fast on his feet, that's why he was called "fleet-footed." The wings on his heels helped too. Achilles however was the "swift-footed" while his mother Thetis was the "silver-footed." Hades was called the "unseen one" and in fact his name means that in Greek. Only a fool would not understand why Cerberus's epithet is "three-headed" or Artemis's is the "shooter of arrows" because as soon as you meet either of these it is clear to see. Apollo's mom was known as the "sleek-haired" Leto and the "fair-cheeked" Briseis was a poor prisoner of the Trojan war.

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If the gods granted you an epithet of your own what would it be? Can you write a short persuasive paragraph why you should have this epithet? Give at least three reasons.

Which caduceus do you prefer? Trace them both and try drawing one of your own?

