

These questions are about *Midas and the Golden Touch*

27. Why is the River Pactolus well known? (1)

28. *...in a time very different from today, when strange and mysterious things were commonplace...*

What does this suggest about the kind of story this might be? (1)

29. Look at the paragraph that begins *At that time...*

How does this paragraph suggest Midas is greedy? (1)

30. Draw lines to match each word on the left to a word on the right which could replace it in the text? (2)

revelry
privileged
decadent
succulent

honoured
delicious
festivity
extravagant

31. How can you tell that Dionysus thinks Midas's wish is a bad idea? (1)

32. Look at the paragraph that begins *Midas retired to his chambers...*

Find and copy three words from this paragraph that show Midas is happy with the result of his wish. (2)

33. *...instead of her soft curls, his fingers met cold, hard metal.*

What has happened to Midas's daughter? (1)

34. Why does Midas only hug his daughter 'tentatively' when he first arrives home? (1)

- He is surprised that she is flesh and blood again.
- He doesn't know if his power has gone away completely.
- He isn't sure if she really is his daughter.
- He doesn't want to hug her too hard.

35. At the beginning of the text, Midas always wants more money.

How is his character different at the end of the text? (1)

36. How does the final paragraph of the text link back to the first? (2)

37. What is the main message of the story?

Explain your answer using evidence from the text? (3)