

A. Match the words with the names:

The husband of Persephone - King of gods - Daughter - The King of the gods

**PLUTO**      **PROSERPINE**      **CERES**      **ZEUS**

B. Complete the phrases on the right with the words in the oval:

Zeus      goddess of  
 Ceres      earth  
 Pluto      King of  
 Pluto

1. \_\_\_\_\_ King of the gods  
 2. \_\_\_\_\_ goddess  
 3. \_\_\_\_\_ goddess of the underworld  
 4. \_\_\_\_\_ King of the gods  
 5. \_\_\_\_\_ goddess  
 6. \_\_\_\_\_ King

C. PUT THE EVENTS IN ORDER.

1. Pluto abducted Persephone
2. Ceres searches for her daughter
3. Ceres refuses to help her
4. Persephone returns
5. Pluto and Persephone and Hermes married

**The Story of Pluto and Proserpine**  
 (adapted from some English texts)

Ceres (Demeter) is \_\_\_\_\_ goddess, the goddess of fertility and harvest. Her daughter, Proserpine was her only child with Jupiter (Zeus), King of the gods.

One day, as Proserpine was playing in a meadow with her friends, Pluto, the King of the \_\_\_\_\_ and ruler of the dead, \_\_\_\_\_ (kidnaped) her. He \_\_\_\_\_ (took) her down to the underworld with him.

Missing her daughter's absence, Ceres \_\_\_\_\_ (searched) for her but she was not \_\_\_\_\_ (found). She \_\_\_\_\_ (was) \_\_\_\_\_ (looking) for her daughter. \_\_\_\_\_ (Because) \_\_\_\_\_ (Ceres) \_\_\_\_\_ (refused) to \_\_\_\_\_ (help) her \_\_\_\_\_ (crop) and the \_\_\_\_\_ (ground) was \_\_\_\_\_ (barren). \_\_\_\_\_ (Ceres) \_\_\_\_\_ (was) \_\_\_\_\_ (angry) and \_\_\_\_\_ (did) \_\_\_\_\_ (not) \_\_\_\_\_ (allow) her \_\_\_\_\_ (daughter) \_\_\_\_\_ (to) \_\_\_\_\_ (return) \_\_\_\_\_ (to) \_\_\_\_\_ (the) \_\_\_\_\_ (world) \_\_\_\_\_ (above) \_\_\_\_\_ (until) \_\_\_\_\_ (she) \_\_\_\_\_ (was) \_\_\_\_\_ (found). \_\_\_\_\_ (The) \_\_\_\_\_ (gods) \_\_\_\_\_ (were) \_\_\_\_\_ (worried) \_\_\_\_\_ (and) \_\_\_\_\_ (eventually) \_\_\_\_\_ (decided) \_\_\_\_\_ (to) \_\_\_\_\_ (send) \_\_\_\_\_ (Proserpine) \_\_\_\_\_ (back) \_\_\_\_\_ (to) \_\_\_\_\_ (the) \_\_\_\_\_ (world) \_\_\_\_\_ (above).

According to this story, Ceres is \_\_\_\_\_ and Pluto, Proserpine is in the \_\_\_\_\_ and she \_\_\_\_\_ (was) \_\_\_\_\_ (kidnaped) \_\_\_\_\_ (by) \_\_\_\_\_ (him) \_\_\_\_\_ (from) \_\_\_\_\_ (the) \_\_\_\_\_ (world) \_\_\_\_\_ (above) \_\_\_\_\_ (to) \_\_\_\_\_ (the) \_\_\_\_\_ (world) \_\_\_\_\_ (below). \_\_\_\_\_ (Ceres) \_\_\_\_\_ (was) \_\_\_\_\_ (angry) \_\_\_\_\_ (and) \_\_\_\_\_ (did) \_\_\_\_\_ (not) \_\_\_\_\_ (allow) \_\_\_\_\_ (her) \_\_\_\_\_ (daughter) \_\_\_\_\_ (to) \_\_\_\_\_ (return) \_\_\_\_\_ (to) \_\_\_\_\_ (the) \_\_\_\_\_ (world) \_\_\_\_\_ (above).