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Perseus Questions:

Please answer the following using proper page citations, or fill in the blanks:

1. What does the Medusa (beast that Perseus conquers) represent?
2. What was unusual about the prophecy that the Oracle gave to Acrisius?
3. Who was Perseus’s father?
4. What did the unwritten code of hospitality declare (two things)?
5. What challenge does King Polydectes issue to Perseus?
6. “Wayfinder” is an example of a(n) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for the god Hermes (literary term)
7. Medusa’s undeniable beauty was an example of excellence or \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (greek word). This led to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (greek word for pride), and in a fit of madness, or \_\_\_\_\_\_\_(greek word), she declared that her hair was more beautiful than Athena’s.
8. Who accompanied Perseus on his quest, and what were they disguised as?
9. What shocked Perseus about the Gorgon’s appearance?
10. Perseus launched a surprise attack on the Gorgons and stole their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
11. The nymphs loaned Perseus \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
12. Perseus polished his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ so that he didn’t have to look at Medusa with his own eyes. Her gaze turned people to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
13. What came flying out of Medusa’s neck?
14. Atlas is particularly hostile towards Perseus, so what did Perseus do?
15. Perseus slays a sea monster and wins \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (name) as his wife.
16. How does the previous question show the rise of patriarchal values?
17. What became of the wicked King Polydectes?
18. After returning to Argos, Perseus accidentally kills his grandfather with a discus. What type of irony is this?