

# Pandora's box

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## Wheelock: Chapter 1-3

*Iapetus<sup>1</sup> duōs filiōs, Promētheum<sup>2</sup> et Epimētheum<sup>3</sup>, habet. Promētheus est vir magnae sapientiae; Epimētheus est vir sine sapientiā. Iuppiter<sup>4</sup> Epimētheō bellam puellam, Pandōram<sup>5</sup>, dat. Promētheus Epimētheum dē Pandōrā saepe monet: "Ō Epimētheu, errās! Perīculum nōn vides. Nōn dēbēs puellam accpere." Epimētheus Pandōram amat; dē perīculō nōn cōgitat. Iuppiter Epimētheō arcam dat; nōn licet arcam aperīre. Sed Pandōra est curiosa: "Quid in arcā est? Multa pecūnia? Magnus numerus gemmārum?" Puella arcam aperit. Multae fōrmae malī prōvolant et errant! Sed Pandōra spem in arcā cōservat. Etiam sī vīta plēna malōrum est, spem semper habēmus.*

## Translation:

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Iapetus has two sons, Prometheus and Epimetheus. Prometheus is a man with great wisdom; Epimetheus is a man without wisdom. Jupiter gives Epimetheus a beautiful girl, Pandora. Prometheus often warns Epimetheus about Pandora: "Oh Epimetheus, you make a mistake! You don't see the danger. You shouldn't accept the girl." Epimetheus loves Pandora; he doesn't think about the danger. Jupiter gives Epimetheus a box; it is not permitted to open the box. But Pandora is curious: "What is inside the box? Much money? Large number of jewel?" The girl opens the box. Many bad things fly out and wander around! But Pandora keeps the hope inside the box. Even if life is full of bad things, we always have hope.

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1. one of the 12 Titans↵

2. the name means "one who thinks ahead" [wikitionary↵](#)

3. the name means "one who thinks afterwards" [wikitionary↵](#)

4. **Iupiter, Iovis** : Jupiter↵

5. the name means "all gifts" [wikitionary↵](#)