

Pandora's Box



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107 its contents. Why would someone send her a
116 box and not allow her to open it? Pandora
124 could no longer stand the torture of not
131 knowing what was inside the beautiful box.



Questions



1. Find and copy **two** adjectives used to describe the box.



2. Who gave the box to Pandora as a gift?



3. Why do you think that Prometheus gave Epimetheus that warning?



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Answers



1. Find and copy **two** adjectives used to describe the box.
Accept: small; locked; beautiful.



2. Who gave the box to Pandora as a gift?
Zeus gave the box to Pandora as a gift.



3. Why do you think that Prometheus gave Epimetheus that warning?
Pupils' own responses, such as: I think Prometheus gave a warning as he might have been tricked before or he knows that the Gods like to play tricks on people.



4. What do you expect that Pandora will do next?
Explain your answer.
Pupils' own responses, such as: I think that Pandora will open the box because it says that she could no longer stand the torture of not knowing.