Mythology and Us
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Week II
OTHER TRADITIONS AND STORIES

• Folklore and Folktales
• Legends
• Fables
• Fairy Tales
Situs
Insula Atlantidis, a
Maris obiit absorbit ex
mente Egyptianorum et
Platonis descriptis.

Africa.

Oceanus.

Hispania.

Atlanticus.

America.

Insula Atlantis.
Tam and Cam: A VIETNAMESE FOLKTALE

retold by Linda Blair

Tam and Cam were step-sisters. Tam’s mother died when she was young, and her stepmother made her do all the farm work while Cam, the mother’s own daughter, played from morning to night.

One day, the stepmother sent the girls to fish for shrimp in the rice paddies and promised a fine silk belt to the one who found the most. The sun was hot, but Tam waded into the paddy and worked hard until she had a whole basket of shrimp. Meanwhile, Cam slept in the shade of a bamboo grove. At sunset, her basket was empty, but she thought of a trick.

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MYTHOLOGY

All know cultures have had some form of mythology. Each and every one of them developed distinct mythological styles and their own system of gods and goddesses.