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Enuma Elish & Genesis

Directions: Answer the questions below based on your reading of both the Enuma Elish handout and the creation stories in Genesis chapters 1&2.

1. Based on your reading of the Enuma Elish, was ancient Babylonian culture polytheistic or monotheistic?
2. What was Tiamat the "divine patron" of?
3. Which of the gods described in the Enuma Elish is considered the "divine patron" of Babylon itself? How is this god described?
4. In one passage, the god Ea calls this god "My beloved son," and says that "He is the [what] in the sky"?
5. Why did Kingu encourage Tiamat to revolt against the divine assembly?
6. What types of creatures did Tiamat give birth to?
7. What does Marduk demand in return for defeating Tiamat?
8. When Tiamat taunts Marduk before their battle, what is she disguised as?
9. How, exactly, does Marduk defeat Tiamat?

