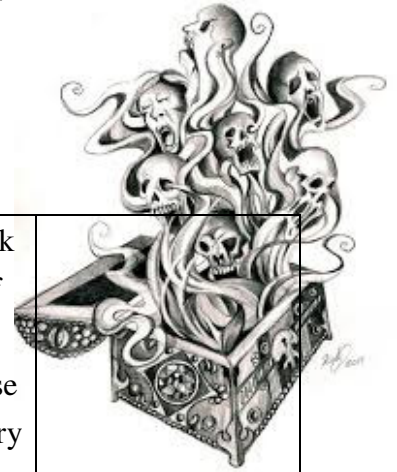


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Card- Pandora

(Narrator 1)	<p>Have you ever been so desperate to know a secret that you took no notice of a warning? All through history there are stories of people being told not to open doors, baskets, cupboards, gates and all sorts of other things and, in so many of the stories, those who hear just did not listen. One of them was Pandora. Her story comes from Ancient Greece and her curiosity brought a lot of trouble!</p>	
(Narrator 2)	<p>In ancient Greece there were two brothers named Epimetheus and Prometheus. They were good gods. They had good hearts and they were good friends.</p> <p>One day, Prometheus got in trouble with Zeus, who was the ruler of all the gods. In great anger, Zeus made an order.</p>	
Zeus	<p>Man should not have fire</p>	
(Narrator 3)	<p>Because Prometheus had a kind heart, and he knew how much man needed fire for food and warmth, he gave man the secret of fire even though Zeus had told all the gods not to do so. Zeus was much angry that his order had been ignored. As punishment, Zeus tied Prometheus to a rock for many years.</p>	
(Narrator 1)	<p>But Zeus still thought that was not enough punishment. Right after Prometheus was chained to a rock, Zeus went after Prometheus' brother, the gentle, kind-hearted Epimetheus. Zeus did not chain Epimetheus to a rock. Instead, Zeus had a more evil punishment in mind.</p>	
Scene 1		
Zeus	<p>(Zeus and Pandora come on stage)</p> <p>Epimetheus and Prometheus do not respect me anymore. I have to punish the two brothers. I will create a woman using this clay. This woman will be very beautiful and charming but she is also</p>	

	very dishonest and deceitful. Her name will be Pandora. I will send her as a gift to Epimetheus.	
	(Epimetheus meets Zeus)	
Zeus	(Zeus introduces Pandora to Epimetheus) This is Pandora. She is the most beautiful woman in the world. Do you want to marry her?	
(Narrator 2)	Epimetheus was completely charmed by the woman and thought Pandora was so beautiful that she could never cause any harm.	
Epimetheus	Pandora is the most beautiful woman in the world. I really want to marry her.	
Zeus	Mumm! That's very good. You will live very happily together. Congratulations. (Zeus says to Pandora) This is a wedding gift for you. There is one very important rule you need to follow. 'NEVER OPEN THIS BOX' if you want to be happy forever. (Zeus and Epimetheus leave the stage)	a box
Pandora	(Pandora is holding the box) What can be in the box? Why does Zeus send me a box which I cannot open? This makes no sense at all. I am going to open the box and unlock its secrets. Look at this beautiful box. There must be fine silks, gowns, or gold bracelets and necklaces or even piles of gold coins inside.	
(Narrator 3)	Pandora took the key, slid it into the lock and turned it. She took a deep breath, closed her eyes and slowly lifted the lid of the box. She opened her eyes and looked into the box.	a box a key
Pandora	Oh! There is no gleam of gold and neither could she find any treasure. There are no shining bracelets and not even one beautiful dress! (The look of excitement on her face quickly turns to one of disappointment and then horror. Finally she cried in pain) (Pandora closes the lid as quick as possible)	cards flying out- pain, disease, poverty, misery, death, sadness

(Narrator 1)	<p>Pandora tried to close the box as fast as she could. But it was too late. Suddenly, all the bad things in the world today like envy, sickness, hate, and disease flew out. Pandora was much taken by surprise.</p> <p>Sadly, Pandora cried in deep sorrow. When tears rolled down her cheeks, something very tiny flew out of the box. He gave Pandora a big buggy smile to thank her for his freedom and flew away. It was actually a tiny bug named HOPE. And Hope made all the difference in the world.</p>	
Epimetheus	<p>(Epimetheus runs into the room)</p> <p><u>(A voice calling to Epimetheus, says "open the box")</u></p> <p>Oh, my dear, are you OK? Even though you have released pain and suffering upon the world, you have also allowed Hope to follow them. Everything will be fine even though people may face problems and hardships at the beginning.</p>	<p>1. A voice calling to Epimetheus--open the box</p> <p>2. card-hope</p>
(Narrator 2)	<p>Today, ‘to open (a) Pandora’s box’ is an idiom which means ‘to start something that causes many new and unexpected problems’.</p> <p>To sum up, we have presented an ancient Greek story in which a woman named Pandora opened a box which contained all the troubles in the world.</p>	
(Narrator 3)	<p>Thankfully that the last thing left in Pandora's Box was hope, which is a very real force that can change our lives for the better and the world around us.</p> <p>Hope you enjoy the story. This is the end of our presentation. Thank you.</p>	