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The Tale of Theseus and the Minotaur

Short Answer Key

1. Athens sent tributes to Crete every year to satisfy the Minotaur's demand for sacrifices and prevent the monster from attacking the city.
2. Ariadne gave Theseus a ball of string, which he used to navigate the labyrinth and find his way back out after defeating the Minotaur.
3. Theseus defeated the Minotaur in a fierce battle within the labyrinth.
4. Theseus ended the cruel tradition of sending tributes to Crete and freed Athens from the terror of the Minotaur.
5. The story teaches us the importance of courage, sacrifice, and perseverance in the face of great challenges. It shows that individuals can bring about positive change even in the darkest of times.

