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Mythological Tale: Persephone and the Seasons

Open-Ended Response Questions

1. Explain the significance of the earthquake and the crack in the ground as the catalyst for the events in the story. How did it set the plot in motion?
2. Analyze the character of Demeter and her reactions to Persephone's abduction. How did her emotional turmoil impact the mortal world and the story's outcome?
3. Discuss the symbolic representation of the pomegranate seed given to Persephone by Hades. How does it shape the story's resolution and the concept of seasons?
4. Reflect on the theme of sacrifice in the story, considering Persephone's alternating roles as a daughter to Demeter and a queen to Hades. How did her choices and actions reflect her sense of duty and responsibility?

