**Narcissus**

**Ἠχω** is a beautiful **νυμφη**. **Ἡρα** is jealous and curses her saying: ‘**μισω** you, from now on **οὐκ** **ἐχεις** your own words!’.

**Ναρκισσος** is a handsome boy. Everybody loves him, but **φιλει** nobody.

One day **Ἠχω** sees **Ναρκισσον** in the forest. **κρυπτει** but he notices someone is following and **καλει**: ‘Is anyone here?’

‘Here!’ **λεγει**, and she runs to him to kiss him.

**Ναρκισσος** is shocked and rejects her. **λεγει**: ‘I will not let you love **με**’.  
**Ἠχω ἀκουει** and **λεγει**: ‘Love **με**!’

Embarrassed, **Ἠχω** runs away to a nearby cave. Her bodywastes away from grief, but her voice **μενει** there as an **ἠχω**.

**Ναρκισσος** rejects many other nymphs too. They are upset and pray: ‘We hope **Ναρκισσος** **φιλει** someone but **οὐκ** **ἐχει** love him in return’. Their wish is granted.

One day, **Ναρκισσος** is tired from hunting in the forest all day. **παυει** and drinksfrom a beautiful pool of water.

Suddenly he seesa beautiful vision, and instantly falls in love. **λεγει: ‘φιλω** you. **φιλεις με?’** He smiles, and the vision smiles back. He reaches out, and the vision reaches back. However the vision disappears as the water **κινει**, and he can’t reach his love. For **φιλει** his own reflection.

He suffers terribly and **λεγει**: ‘I don’t eat. **οὐ πινω**. Why **κρυπτεις**?’

**Ναρκισσος** wastes away at the pool and **παυει** being able to live. All the nymphs weep, and **Ἠχω** repeats their cries.

A daffodil grows where his body used to be, leaning over the pool just like **Ναρκισσος**.

**Some vocabulary**

hate = μισω have = ἐχω

love = φιλω hide = κρυπτω

call = καλεω say = λεγω

hear = ἀκουω remain = μενω

stop = παυω drink = πινω

move = κινω eat = ἐσθιω

