

## 6 Danger Defeater?



Find this hero (in the same case) from a famous Greek myth.  
What is he doing?

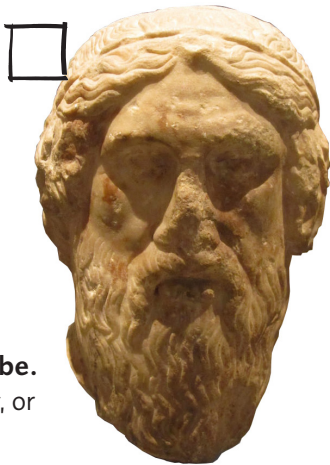
If you were a hero in a story, what dangers would you defeat?

## 7 Totally epic storyteller?

Find this head of a man

This is Homer, a famous storyteller and poet.  
He wrote epic adventures called 'The Odyssey'  
and the 'The Iliad'.

Time to decide what kind of hero you'd like to be.  
Select your favourite, and share this with your family, or  
whisper it to Homer....



- RULER OF THE UNIVERSE...bit ambitious, but why not!
- THE WISEST OF ALL
- SPORTING CHAMPION
- SUPER SKILLED CREATIVE
- CLEVER LIKE ODYSSEUS
- DANGER DEFEATER
- TOTALLY EPIC STORYTELLER

Well done – you have found out about different kinds of  
heroes in ancient Greece. May your life ahead be heroic!



SUITABLE FOR AGES  
**6+**

# HEROES OF ANCIENT GREECE

Go to gallery 16,  
ground floor



Let's travel back over 2,500 years to ancient Greece, and meet some  
heroes. From the gods and adventurers, to the brilliant brains and  
clever craftspeople of the age, they were all heroes in different ways.

## WHAT KIND OF HERO WOULD YOU BE?

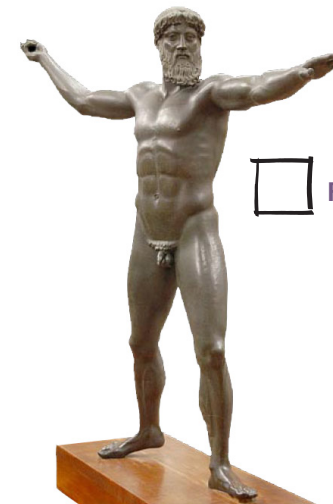
### 1 Ruler of the Universe?

Find this sculpture

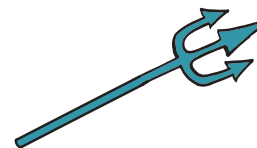


This is a copy of a sculpture found under the  
sea, thought to be Zeus, father of gods and  
humans and supreme ruler of the universe!

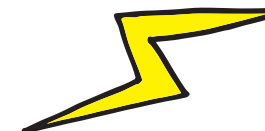
He was once holding his famous weapon,  
now lost. **What do you think it was?**



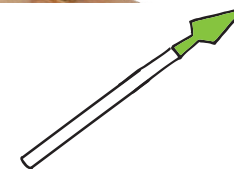
FOUND IT!



A TRIDENT



A THUNDERBOLT



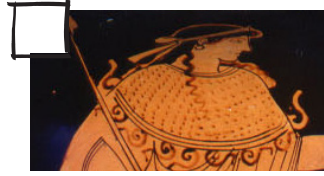
A SPEAR

Now stand like a god! Copy Zeus's powerful pose

## 2 The Wisest of all?

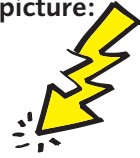
Find this goddess on a pot in the 'Gods and Goddesses' case.

This is Athena, goddess of war and wisdom. She helped many gods and people out of trouble. **What is she holding?**



Look in the case behind you. Can you find a cup decorated with a wise bird?

The owl is Athena's symbol. She was patron goddess of Athens. **Finish this picture:**



## 3 Sporting Champion?

Find the 'Theatre and Athletics' case

Nike, the winged goddess of Victory flew around bringing victory to champions in sport and theatre and on the battlefield.

Nike is flitting about on objects in this case and the case behind you, **can you track her down?**



Now choose a sport on a pot and MIME it in slow motion. Can your family guess which sport this is?

## 4 Super skilled creative?

Find this pot in a case on its own.

What is the craftsman doing?

- MAKING SHOES     CUTTING TOENAILS  
 MAKING A NECKLACE

Clever craftspeople made the objects in this gallery. We don't know their names but they made beautiful and useful things that tell us about life in ancient Greece.



Find these objects and give each a skill rating out of 5 (1 for low skills, 5 for top skills). Then circle your favourite.

## 5 Clever like Odysseus?

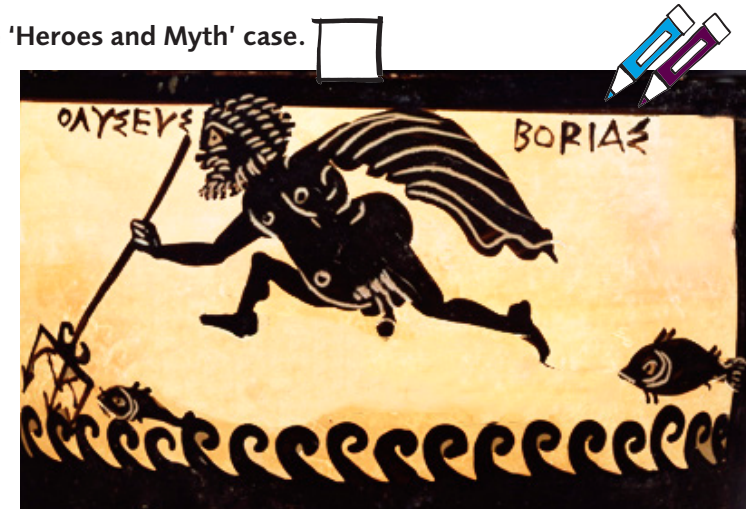
Find this hero in the 'Heroes and Myth' case.

This is Odysseus, the brave and cunning hero of a famous story called 'The Odyssey'. He had many adventures in his quest to get home to his wife Penelope.

He is surfing on 2 jars across the sea. Something in the sky is helping him.

**What is it?**

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Can you help him get home even quicker? **Draw in a boat, surf board or whatever you like!**

Peek round the back of the pot – what can you see?

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