

# JUNIOR GENIUS MYTH-TERIES



How much do you know about Greek myth? You can know it all with the **Ken Jennings' Junior Genius Guide to Greek Mythology**. Get started by solving these myth-teries!

## MYTH MIX-UPS

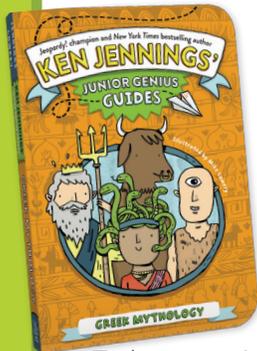
Many Greek myths are stories about "superheroes" and their incredible adventures. See if you can match these famous Greek heroes with the monsters they conquered.

### Heroes

- a. Heracles  
Hint: Knows the difference between heads and tails.
- b. Jason  
Hint: Doesn't take any bull.
- c. Perseus  
Hint: Not afraid of snakes.

### Monsters

- 1. Medusa
- 2. Cerberus
- 3. Minotaur



## MYTH BEGINNINGS

The ancient Greeks sometimes used myths to explain the origin of things in nature. They said that rainbows show the path of the messenger goddess Iris whenever she travels down from the heavens to Earth, and that dew drops are the tears of the dawn goddess Eos, who weeps each morning for her son who died in the

Trojan war. Ancient Greeks explained the seasons of the year with the story of Persephone (per-seh-fone-ee), who was taken to the underworld by the god Hades (hay-deez) to be his wife. Persephone was unhappy in the underworld, so Hades allowed her to spend part of each year with her family on Earth. We have spring when Persephone returns to Earth, and winter when she rejoins Hades in the underworld.

## Junior Genius Challenge #1:

Make up your own Myth Mix-Up quiz to share with your classmates. Then, join the Junior Genius sphere at [yoursphere.com/junior-genius](http://yoursphere.com/junior-genius), or download the Junior Genius app at the Apple App Store, where you can challenge other Junior Geniuses with your Myth Mix-Ups.



## Junior Genius Challenge #2:

Make up your own myth about the origin of something in nature. It can be a Greek myth or one using characters that you imagine. Share your origin myth in class, then post it at the Junior Genius sphere on Yoursphere to earn a Master of Mythology badge!

## JUNIOR GENIUS POP QUIZ

Who was the Greek god that ruled the underworld?



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