

Hero-Hybrid Activity

Ancient heroes came in all shapes and sizes. In this activity, you will make your own hero inspired by our collection!

You will meet a few of the gods, goddesses and heroes from our museum. First, match the description to a statue from our museum. Second, create your own!

Key words

Special Power

This is the thing that the person or god are really good at. Think of it as their talent.

Physical Attribute

Most Greek Gods and Goddesses could be identified by an accessory, a symbol or something they owned.

Character Trait

Everybody has those! Sometimes heroes are great, but they also have flaws. Remember that no one, not even the gods are perfect in Greek myth.

Appearance:

How do they appear in Greek art?

Descriptions of gods, goddesses and heroes

Match these descriptions to the pictures on the next page.

Hercules

Special Power: Strength.

Physical Attributes: club (big hitting stick), lion skin.

Character Traits: remorseful, patient.

Appearance: big, muscular.

Apollo

Special Power: Health and Medicine, Music, Archery.

Physical Attributes: bow and arrows, lyre, lizard.

Character Traits: vengeful.

Appearance: beardless, young, good hair.

Athena

Special Power: Wisdom, Strategy.

Physical Attributes: shield, spear, aegis (armour), owl.

Character Traits: proud, quick to judge, vengeful.

Appearance: bright eyes, tall, imposing.

Zeus

Special Power: Thunder, Storms, Power over other gods.

Physical Attributes: thunderbolt.

Character Traits: just.

Appearance: beard, tall, muscular.

Nike

Special Power: Victory, Flying.

Physical Attributes: wings.

Character Traits: fair.

Appearance: young, big wings.

Odysseus

Special Power: Resourcefulness.

Physical Attributes: traveller's hat.

Character Traits: inventive, smart, cunning, loyal.

Appearance: ragged, handsome, bearded.

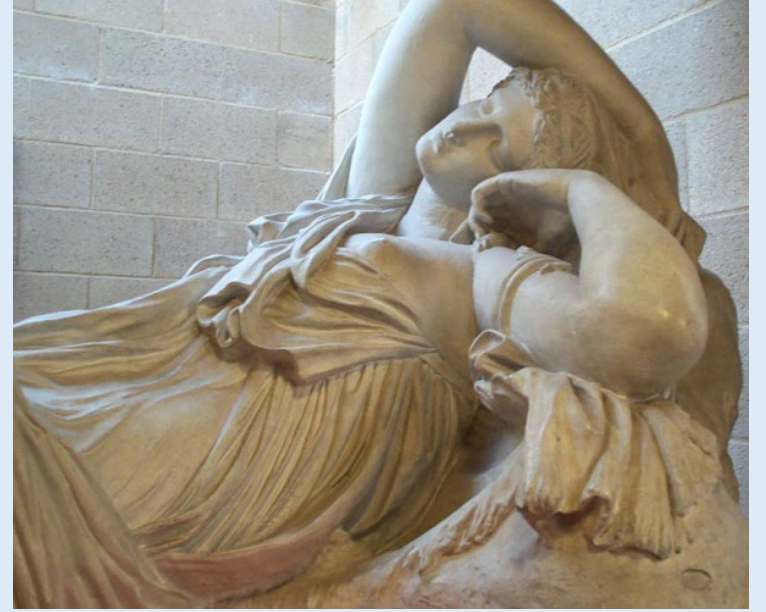
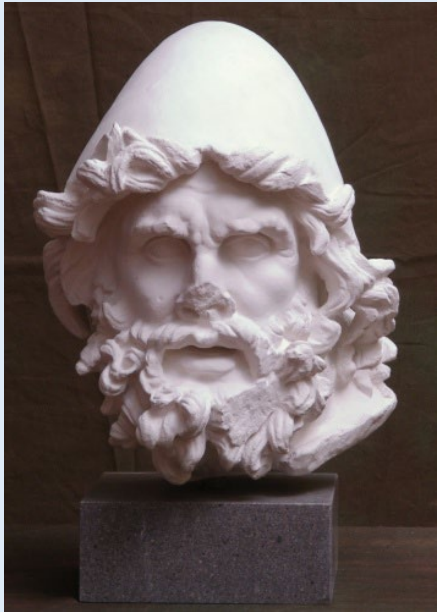
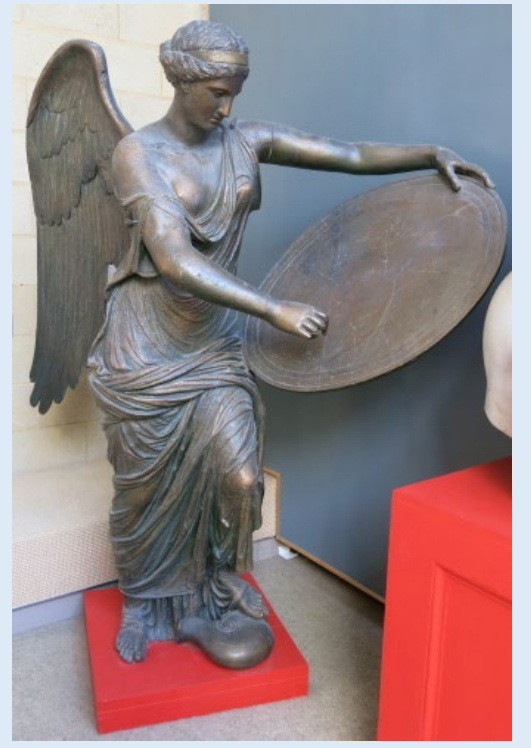
Ariadne

Special Power: Strategic thinking.

Physical Attributes: wool, crown.

Character Traits: wise, helpful.

Appearance: beautiful, young.



Make Your Own Hero or God!

Choose what special powers, physical attributes, character traits, and appearance you want them to have and write them out. Then try to draw each.

You need to give them a name too. Male names in ancient Greece often end with 'us', 'os', or - 'es'. Female names often end with 'a' or 'e'.

Here is a new hero our Education Coordinator created. She ran out of colouring pens though!

Melantopora

Special Power: Wisdom, Flying.

Physical Attributes: bow & arrow, wings

Character Traits: inventive, proud

Appearance: muscle, young woman

