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THE HEROES



OF OLYMPUS

THE HOUSE OF HADES



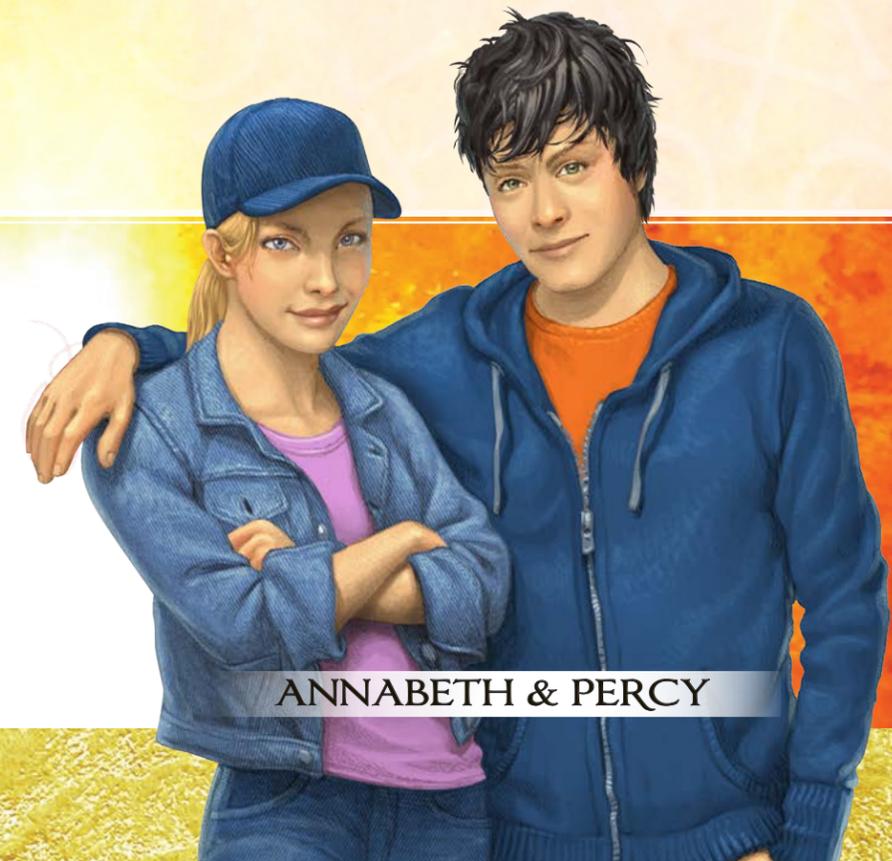
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ANNABETH & PERCY

THE TRUTHS OF TARTARUS

Test your knowledge of the Underworld: how much do you really know?

Are these statements about Tartarus FACT or FICTION?

1. According to Roman mythology, Tartarus is the place where sinners go.	
2. Tartarus is the lowest region of the world.	
3. Hephaestus is the God that rules the Underworld.	
4. Though Stygian iron is magical, it is useless on monsters, ghosts, and creatures of the Underworld.	
5. When Kronos came to power as the king of the Titans, he imprisoned the Cyclops in Tartarus and set the monster Kampê as its guard.	
6. One crime that wouldn't land you in Tartarus was abuse of the gods' hospitality.	
7. The Titans were condemned to Tartarus after losing their battle against the Olympian gods.	
8. Tartarus is the second cousin of Gaea.	
9. Hermes visited Tartarus and was forced to stay.	
10. Phlegethon is river that runs through Tartarus.	



NEMESIS

The answer to this puzzle is on page TK.

HADES WORD SEARCH

Find the words in this word search challenge

R	P	S	H	C	X	N	F	T	Q	Q	M	M	Y	O
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| DRACHMA | HARPY | LABYRINTH | POLYBOTES |
| DRYADS | HECATE | NAIADS | PRAETOR |
| ELYSIUM | JANUS | ODYSSEUS | RIPTIDE |
| FAVONIUS | KERKOPES | PEGASUS | TARTARUS |



FRANK

The answer to this puzzle is on page TK.

GREAT MONSTERS OF MYTHOLOGY

The mythical monsters featured in *The House of Hades* also colored the mythology of Greece and Rome and were fearsome and fascinating beasts. Can you identify them from the clues provided?



DOWN

1. A creature with the forequarters (including talons) and wings of an eagle and the hindquarters of a lion _____
3. A cow monster whose name means "down-looker" _____
5. A vampire with fangs, claws, a bronze left leg, a donkey right leg, hair made of fire, and skin as white as bone. _____
7. A giant created by Gaea to absorb and defeat all of Hecate's magic _____

ACROSS

2. A monster with three bodies that was slain by Hercules _____
4. A creature with a human head, a lion's body, and a scorpion's tail _____
6. A sea demon with flippers instead of hands and a dog's head _____
8. The eldest of the giants born to Gaea, destined to fight Pluto _____
9. Female spirits of curses, wrinkled hags with batlike wings, brass talons, and glowing red eyes; daughter of Nyx (Night) _____

The answer to this puzzle is on page TK.



ARACHNE

HOUSES OF HORRORS MATCH-UP

In *The House of Hades*, Percy and Annabeth discover that the Underworld is ripe with frightening locations, scary creatures, and angry gods that must be faced by these heroes.

Match the following Hades inhabitants to their description.

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| 1. Akhlys | A. Giant yellow and green serpent like monster |
| 2. Arachne | B. Monsters with six arms that wear only a loincloth |
| 3. Cocytus | C. Section of the Underworld where people who were evil during their lives are sent to face eternal punishment |
| 4. Damasen | D. Weaver whom Athena turned into a spider |
| 5. Drakon | E. One of the three fates. The one who determines how long a life will be. |
| 6. Earthborn | F. Giant; condemned to Tartarus for slaying a drakon |
| 7. Fields of Asphodel | G. One of the three Furies; Roman goddess of vengeance |
| 8. Fields of Punishment | H. Greek goddess of misery; controller of the Death Mist |
| 9. Alecto | I. Section of the Underworld where people who lived neither a good nor bad life are sent after death |
| 10. Lachesis | J. The River of Lamentation in Tartarus, made of pure misery |



ANNABETH & PERCY

The answer to this puzzle is on page TK.

KEEP YOUR EYE ON OLYMPUS

How well do you know the differences between these major deities? Using your Greek and Roman teams, set up a trivia challenge using the questions below to see who knows their Greek and Roman gods!

1. The functions of this deity encompassed love, beauty, sex, fertility and prosperity.

NAME OF GOD: _____ GREEK OR ROMAN: _____

2. For one group, this deity is credited with fashioning the first woman, though she was less known for her creator than the gifts she received.

NAME OF GOD: _____ GREEK OR ROMAN: _____

3. The identity of this deity took on an altered symbol in one of the two civilizations—a symbol that today we associate with the medical profession.

NAME OF GOD: _____ GREEK OR ROMAN: _____

4. While this deity was associated with war, wisdom, and aspects of industry in both Greek and Roman civilizations, in one of them she was importantly linked to cloth dyeing, and to science, and was credited with bestowing numbers upon man.

NAME OF GOD: _____ GREEK OR ROMAN: _____

5. This deity is the “Father of Gods and men” who rules the Olympians of Mount Olympus as a father rules his family. He is the god of sky and thunder.

NAME OF GOD: _____ GREEK OR ROMAN: _____

6. This deity is a daughter of Saturn and sister (but also the wife) of the chief god Jupiter and the mother of Mars and Vulcan.

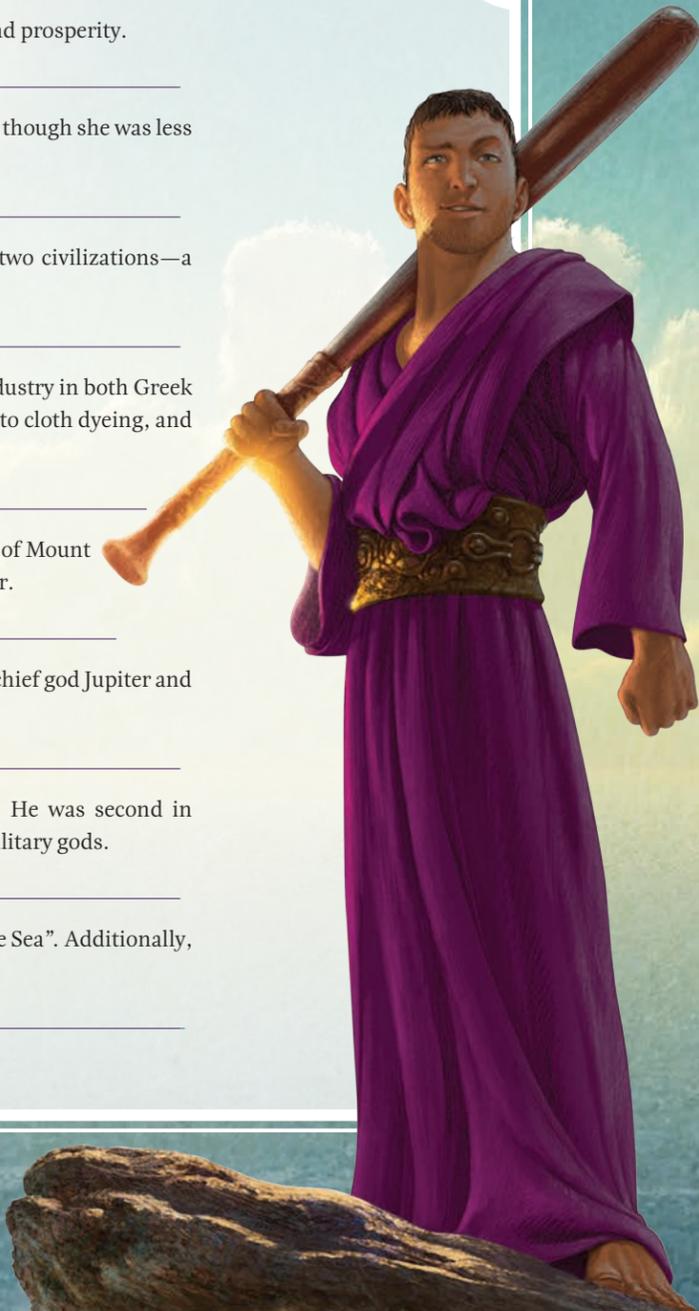
NAME OF GOD: _____ GREEK OR ROMAN: _____

7. This deity was the god of war and also an agricultural guardian. He was second in importance only to Jupiter, and he was the most prominent of the military gods.

NAME OF GOD: _____ GREEK OR ROMAN: _____

8. This deity’s main domain is the ocean, and he is called the “God of the Sea”. Additionally, he is referred to as “Earth-Shaker”.

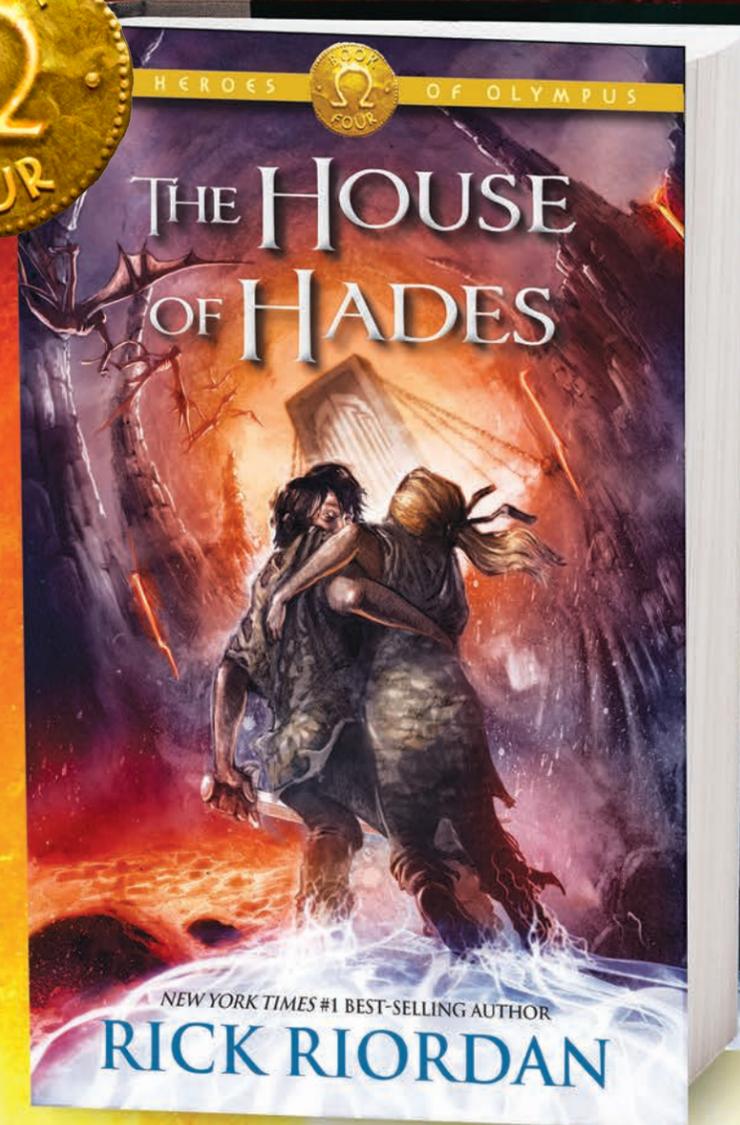
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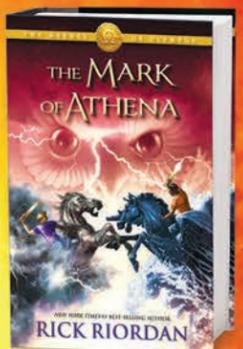
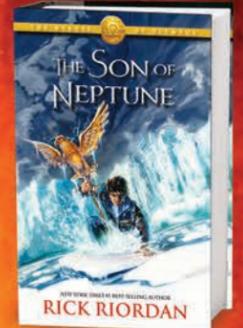
HERCULES

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IT'S THE ULTIMATE OLYMPIC EVENT!



DON'T MISS!



DATE: _____

TIME: _____

PLACE: _____

ANSWER KEY

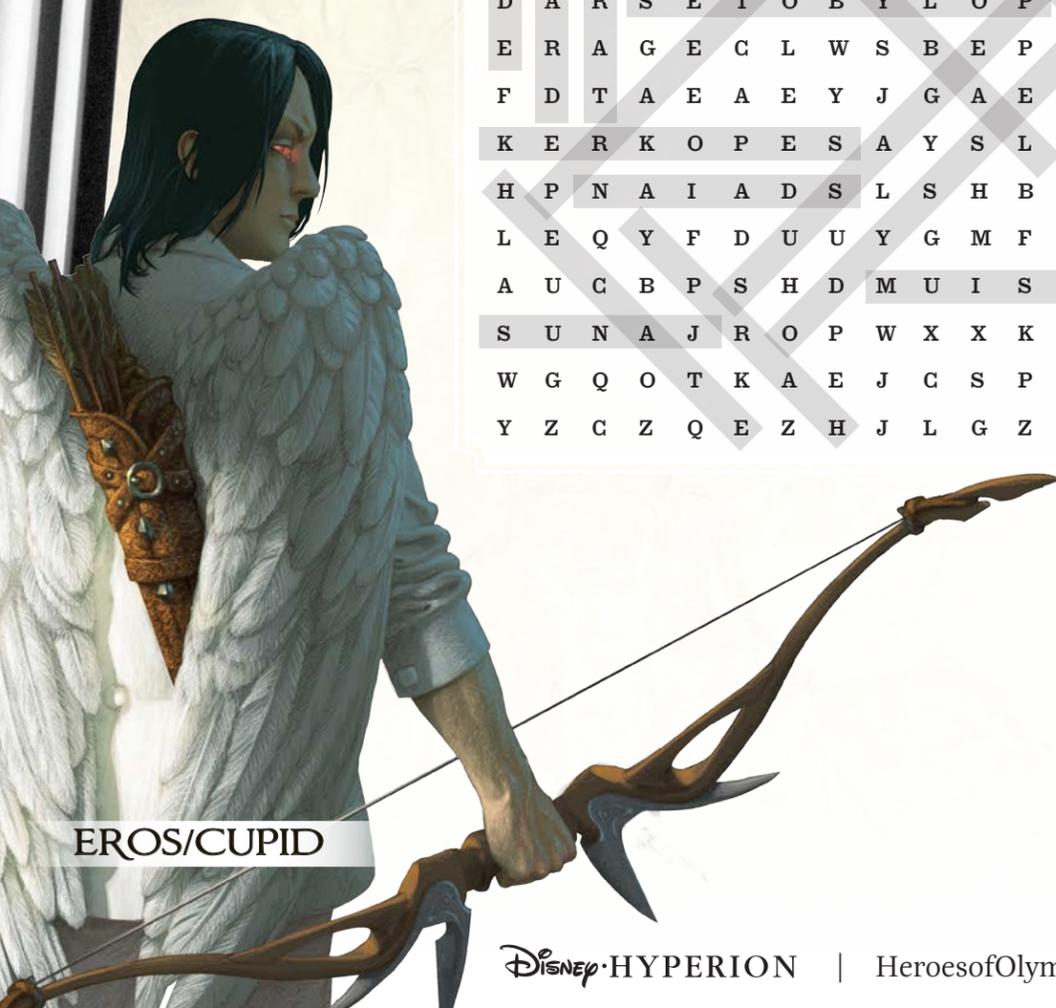
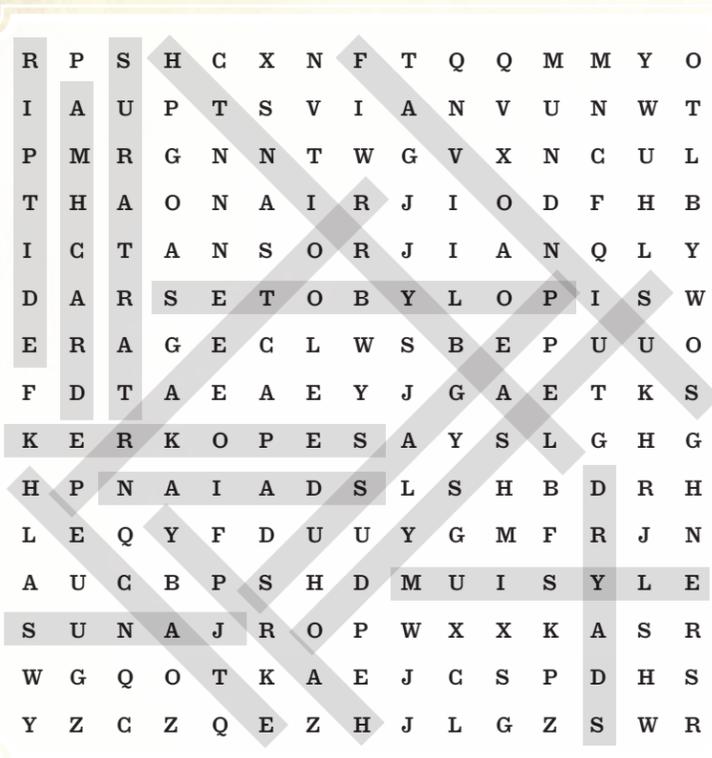
TRUTHS OF TARTARUS

Activity from page 4

1. FACT 2. FACT 3. FICTION—Hades is its ruler 4. FICTION—this magical metal is forged in the River Styx in the Underworld and is capable of absorbing the very essence of these beings. 5. FACT 6. FICTION—those doing so were often sent to Tartarus. 7. FACT 8. FICTION—Tartarus is Gaea's husband. 9. FICTION—Hermes did travel to Tartarus but not as a form of punishment. 10. FACT

HADES WORD SEARCH

Activity from page 5

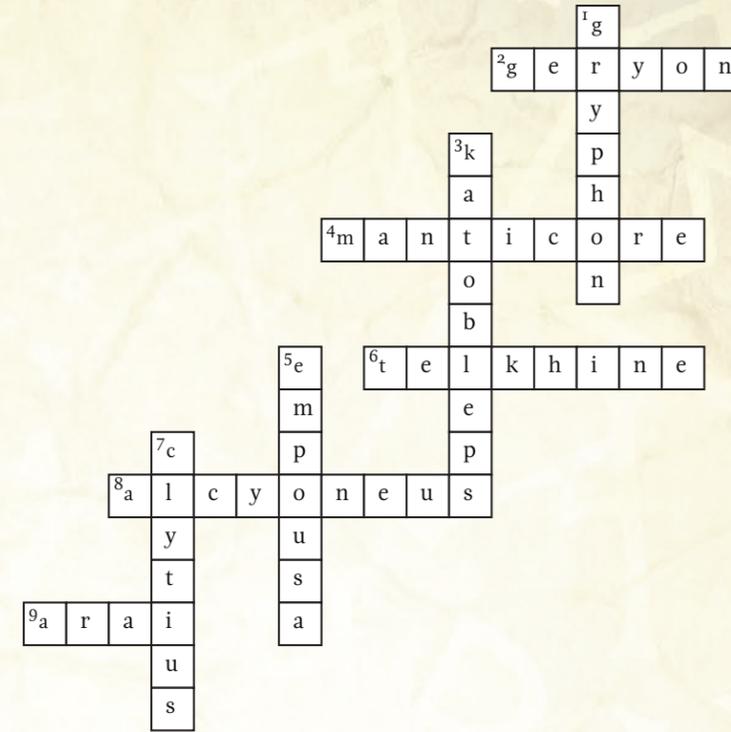


EROS/CUPID

ANSWER KEY

GREAT MONSTERS OF MYTHOLOGY

Activity from page 6



HOUSE OF HORRORS MATCHUP

Activity from page 7

1. H 3. J 5. A 7. I 9. G
2. D 4. F 6. B 8. C 10. E

KEEP YOUR EYE ON OLYMPUS

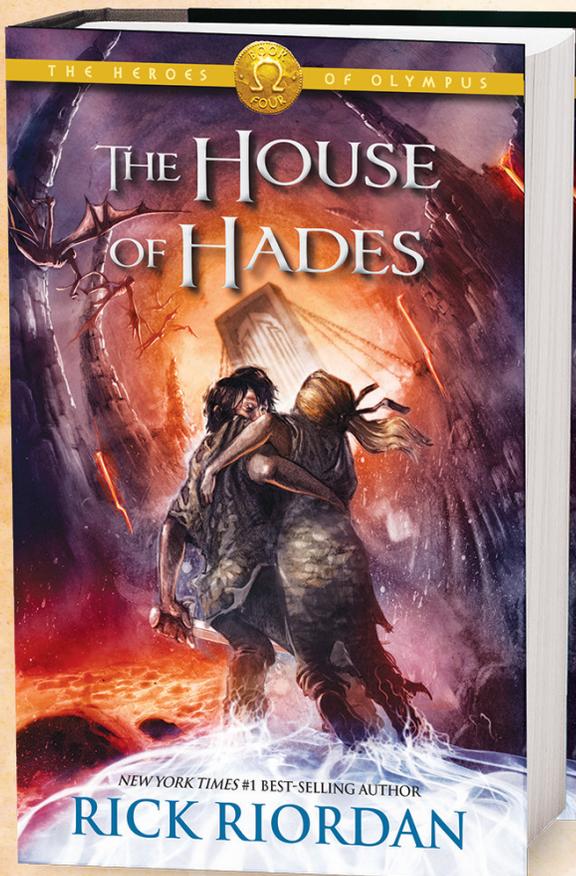
Activity from page 8

1. Goddess: Venus (Roman) 5. God: Zeus (Greek)
2. God: Hephaestus (Greek) 6. God: Juno (Roman)
3. God: Mercury (Roman) 7. God: Mars (Roman)
4. Goddess: Athena (Greek) 8. God: Poseidon (Greek)



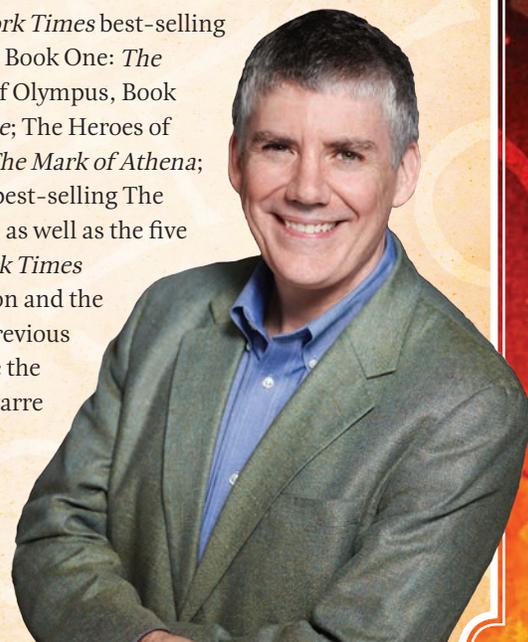
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About the Book: In this fourth installment of the best-selling Heroes of Olympus series, the Greek and Roman demigods from the Prophecy of Seven must work together to seal the Doors of Death—and help Percy and Annabeth escape the Underworld in the process.

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