



QUIET DOWN, CLASS.

NOW, WHO CAN TELL ME WHAT THE ENGRAVING ON THIS ANCIENT GREEK GRAVE MARKER REPRESENTS?

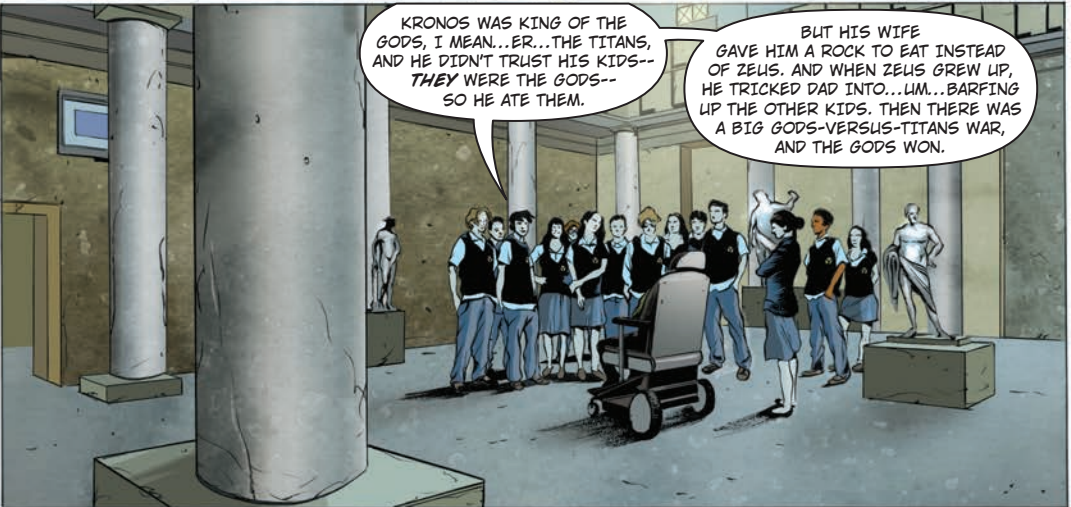


MR. JACKSON, PERHAPS?



OH, UM...

THAT'S... UH... KRONOS EATING HIS KIDS, RIGHT?



KRONOS WAS KING OF THE GODS, I MEAN... ER... THE TITANS, AND HE DIDN'T TRUST HIS KIDS-- **THEY WERE THE GODS--** SO HE ATE THEM.

BUT HIS WIFE GAVE HIM A ROCK TO EAT INSTEAD OF ZELUS. AND WHEN ZELUS GREW UP, HE TRICKED DAD INTO... UM... BARFING UP THE OTHER KIDS. THEN THERE WAS A BIG GODS-VERSUS-TITANS WAR, AND THE GODS WON.



VERY NEARLY ADEQUATE, MR. JACKSON, SLANG FOR REGURGITATION NOTWITHSTANDING.

SO WHY DOES THIS STORY MATTER IN OUR LIVES? BEYOND EARNING A PASSING GRADE ON TOMORROW'S YEAR-END EXAMINATION.



BECAUSE... WELL, BECAUSE...

...I DON'T KNOW, MR. BRUNNER.

BUSTED!



I SEE. PERHAPS A LITTLE NOURISHMENT TO GET THE BRAIN WORKING AGAIN, HMM?

WE'LL CONTINUE OUR SEMESTER REVIEW AFTER LUNCH.



MR. JACKSON, I'LL HAVE A WORD WITH YOU ALONE, PLEASE.

NEW YORK CITY.
THE METROPOLITAN
MUSEUM OF ART.

ONE DAY UNTIL PERCY JACKSON
EITHER PASSES THE SIXTH GRADE,
OR GETS KICKED OUT OF HIS
SIXTH SCHOOL IN AS MANY YEARS.

DETENTION
AGAIN?

NAH. HE
JUST WANTED
TO REMIND
ME THAT HIS
CLASS ISN'T
POINTLESS.

"WHAT YOU
LEARN FROM ME IS
VITALLY IMPORTANT,
MR. JACKSON."

I LIKE
BRUNNER
AND ALL--

BUMMER.
YOU GONNA
EAT YOUR
APPLE?

--BUT I
WISH HE'D LAY
OFF ME SOMETIMES.
IT'S NOT LIKE I'M
A GENIUS.

NICE GOING IN
THERE, DYSLEXIAC.

IT'S DYSLEXIC, AND
I'D RATHER BE AT BOARDING
SCHOOL FOR TROUBLE WITH
READING THAN BECAUSE I'M
A CHRONIC SHOPLIFTER,
KLEPTO-GIRL.

I STEAL
THINGS BECAUSE
I LIKE TO. DO YOU
LIKE HAVING MUSH
FOR BRAINS?

UH,
GUYS? LET'S
JUST EVERYBODY
CALM DOWN.

FACE IT,
REJECT. YOU'LL
ALWAYS BE A
LOSER.

SPLOOSH!



PERCY
PUSHED ME!

I DID NOT!
YOU MUST'VE TRIPPED
OR SOMETHING...



I--IT WAS ME!
I PUSHED--



PERCY JACKSON!
COME HERE THIS
INSTANT!



PERCY?

IT'S
OKAY, GROVER.
WHAT'S ANOTHER
NIGHT CLEANING
DESKS?

THE
WATER...

--LIKE IT
GRABBED
HER.

DID YOU
SEE?



INSIDE.
NOW.

--UULP--

