

Hades: Lord of the Dead

Olympians Book 4

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For discussion:

1. Hades is in love with Kore, so kidnaps her to the Underworld. Is this an appropriate way to let someone know you like them? How could he have done it differently?
2. Which version of the Greek afterlife does you like better, the original, or Persephone's version?
3. The ancient Greeks considered it bad luck to say Hades's name, and instead came up with many titles for him, like The Wealthy One, or the Zeus of the Underworld. What would be some other good titles for him? How about the other gods?
4. If you were Persephone, would you rather stay with Hades or Demeter? How come?
5. In a lot of modern stories, people make Hades a bad guy. Do you think Hades is a bad guy? How about Demeter? Was it fair that she turned Parthenope and Leukoësia into Sirens?
6. What on earth was Tantalos thinking when he cut up his son Pelops and tried to feed him to the Olympians? I mean, seriously?
7. Very few people believe in the Greek Gods today. Why do you think it is important that we learn about them?