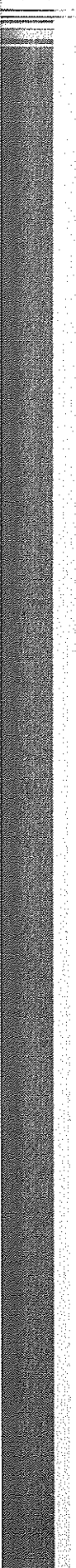




Journal - Chapter 16

Have you ever had a fight with your parent? What was it about? How did you resolve the problem? (Write at least 4 sentences.)



Journal - Chapter 17

People are always looking for new ways to sell things. What's the worst or most annoying commercial you have ever seen? What is the best or funniest? (Write at least 4 sentences.)

Comprehension Questions - Chapter 16

1. What's in the backpack Ares gives Percy? If you were him, would you have accepted this gift?
2. Annabeth says Percy wasn't smart to anger Ares. Was Percy right to talk back to him? Why or why not?
3. Percy says that Annabeth should write her father a letter. What would you advise her to do?
4. When does Percy start to realize the casino is a trap?
5. How does Percy snap Annabeth out of her trance?

Comprehension Questions - Chapter 17

1. How does Annabeth pay for the trip to Los Angeles?
2. Annabeth seems worried when they discuss the voice from the pit. Percy thinks she has an idea what it might be. Do you have any guesses?
3. Why doesn't Riptide work on the kids who jump Percy in the alley?
4. Why can't Percy simply fight Crusty?
5. How does Percy find the address for the Underworld?



Journal - Chapter 18

Have you ever been through a security checkpoint – at the airport, for instance? Do you think these checkpoints keep people safe? Why or why not? (Write at least 4 sentences.)



Journal - Chapter 19

Who is the most evil person you can think of – from history or from current times? What makes this person evil? Can an evil person ever have good qualities? (Write at least 4 sentences.)

Comprehension Questions - Chapter 18

1. Why does the DOA security guard get annoyed with Percy?
2. What does the River Styx look like? Why does it look this way?
3. If you were standing in that line, would you rather choose EZ Death and go straight to Asphodel, or risk being judged for your actions on earth?
4. How does Annabeth save them? Why is she able to do this?
5. Do you feel sorry for Cerberus? Would you have risked playing fetch with him, if you were Annabeth?

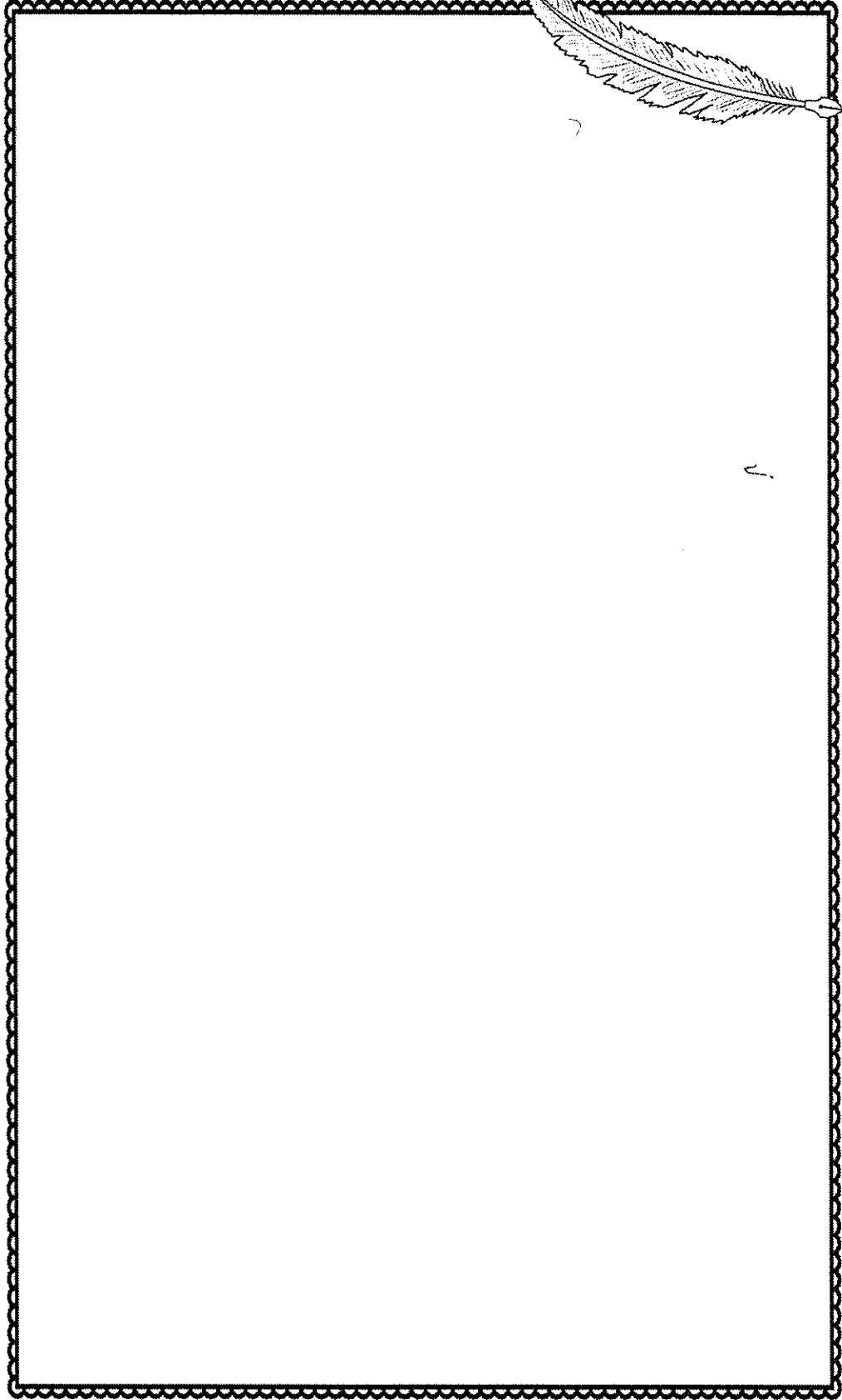
Comprehension Questions - Chapter 19

1. What do you have to do to enter the Isles of the Blest?
2. How is Hades' aura different than Ares? How does Percy feel when he's in Hades' presence?
3. Why was Percy's backpack getting heavy?
4. What terrible choice faces Percy when he decides to use the pearls? Would you have made the same choice he does? Why or why not?
5. How do Annabeth and Grover prove themselves to be real friends to Percy?

Name _____

SETTING SNAPSHOT

In the picture frame below, illustrate a setting from the chapter(s) you just read.



Figurative Language

_____ Name

Idiom-an expression with a non-literal meaning.
Metaphor-a comparison between 2 things not using the words *like* or *as*.
Simile-a comparison between 2 things using the words *like* or *as*.

❖ Read each quote from *The Lightning Thief*. Circle the part of each sentence that is figurative. Name the type of figurative language. Then, justify your answer.

1. Then, through the gloom, I saw her—a woman the color of the water, a ghost in the current, floating just above the sword.

➤ Type of figurative language:

➤ I know this because

2. Ares grabbed the shield and spun it in the air like pizza dough. It changed form, melting into a bulletproof vest.

➤ Type of figurative language:

➤ I know this because

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➤ Type of figurative language:

6. Grover was picking up speed, skidding downhill like a bobsled.

➤ I know this because

➤ Type of figurative language:

5. A warm moist wind blew like the breath of a swamp. Black trees—
Grover told me they were poplars—grew in clumps here and there.

➤ I know this because

➤ Type of figurative language:

4. "No," Grover told me. "We've learned that your plans really, really bite!"

➤ I know this because

➤ Type of figurative language:

3. I felt something rub against my leg. I looked down and almost
shot out of the water like a ballistic missile.



Find another simile and write it below. This time, underline the two things that are being compared.

Find an example of personification and write it below.

Find an example of imagery and write it below. Draw a picture of how the imagery makes you feel.

Find an idiom and write it below. Sketch a picture of its *literal* meaning.

Find a simile and write it below. Circle the "like" or "as."

Figurative Language Find

Follow the arrows and instructions below.

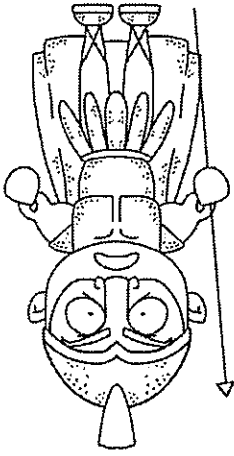
Name _____

Journal - Chapter 20

How well do you get along with your relatives? If your family held a big reunion party, who would you most look forward to seeing? Who would you not like to see? (Write at least 4 sentences.)

Comprehension Questions - Chapter 20

1. Why does Percy will himself to get soaked in water?
2. Ares says the best kind of war is when relatives fight each other. Why would this be the most vicious kind of fight?
3. Why does Percy begin to suspect that Ares wasn't acting alone – that he was taking orders from someone?
4. After Percy wounds Ares, something strange happens that makes Ares back off. What is it?
5. At the end of the chapter, what does Percy decide he must do to complete the quest?



❖ Imagine that you are Ares, and you have just fought your battle with Percy. Write about the events in Chapter 20 from your perspective. Remember to express your thoughts and emotions.

Point of view-the perspective from which a story is told.
Third person-when a character narrates a story using the words *he, she, my, and mine.*

Point of View:

Ares



_____ Name

Journal - Chapter 21

Which would you rather have – a parent who is distant and doesn't show much emotion, or a parent who is very affectionate and shows a lot of emotion? Why? Could there be disadvantages to both? (Write at least 4 sentences.)

Journal - Chapter 22

If someone knew something really bad that was going to happen in your life, and there was nothing you could do about it, would you rather have them tell you or keep it a secret? Why? (Write at least 4 sentences.)

Comprehension Questions - Chapter 21

1. When the Los Angeles reporters interview Percy, how does he get back at Gabe?
2. How does Percy convince the guard at the Empire State Building to let him see Zeus?
3. Why does Percy start feeling a little sorry for Hades when he sees Zeus' palace?
4. How does Zeus reward Percy?
5. Why doesn't Percy petrify Gabe when he has the chance? What would you have done?

Comprehension Questions - Chapter 22

1. What's the tradition for campers who return from quests? How did Ares cabin "honor" Percy?
2. What happens to Grover in this Chapter? Speculate: Will he come back in another book?
3. Why do you think Percy has so much trouble deciding whether to stay year round or go to seventh grade? What would you choose?
4. What is unique about Backbiter, Luke's new sword?
5. What turned Luke so bitter?



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The different gods that we meet in The Lightning Thief have different powers or specialties. For example, because Poseidon is the god of the sea, he can control the sea and water. In the first 3 spaces below, write and draw about 3 gods and their special powers. In the 4th space, write about what power you would like, if you could have one. You may choose one of theirs, or make up one of your own.

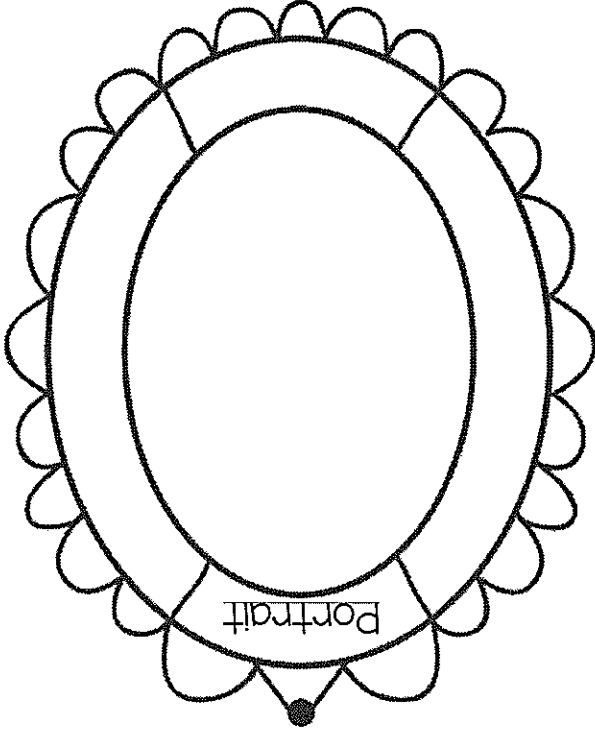
What is Your Power of Choice?

_____ Name



How did these conflicts change him/her?

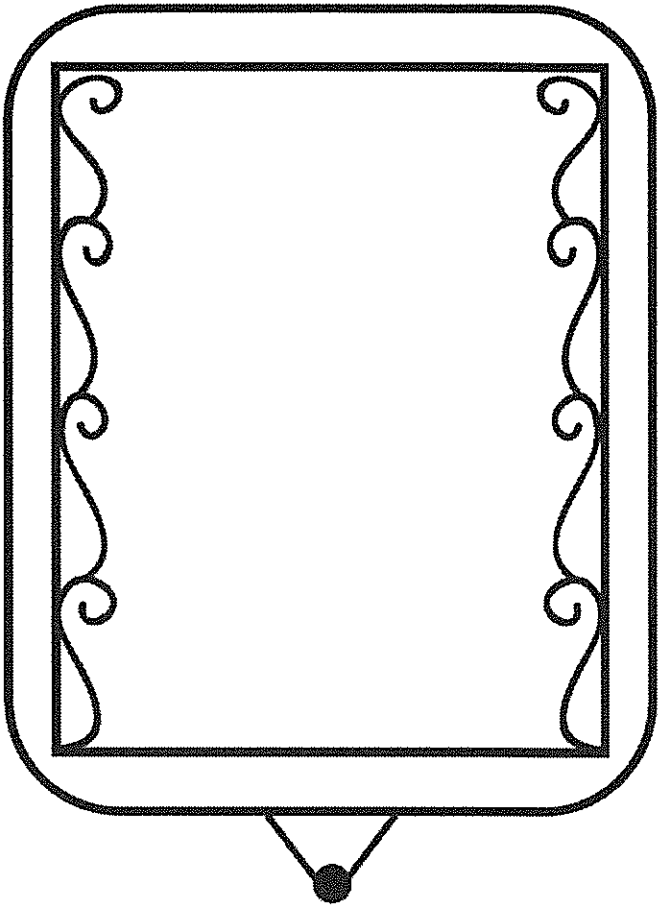
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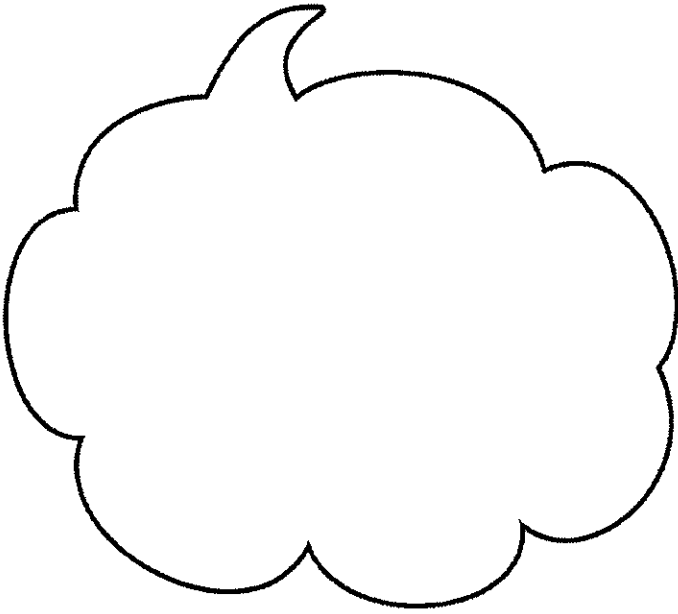
Character Changes

Name _____



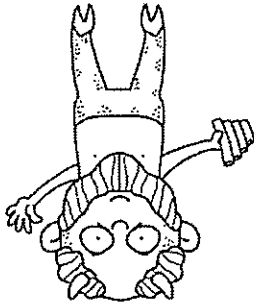
My favorite character is

Think about your favorite character. Write his or her name below. In the speech bubble, write your favorite quote from him or her. In the picture frame, draw a detailed picture of him or her. On the lines, write about why he or she is your favorite.



Who's your Favorite?

_____ Name



My Grade: _____
Comments: _____

My Choice: _____

10. **CHARACTER ART:** Create sculptures, puppets, or models of the characters using any material you choose. You could use a combination of paper, rocks, clay, poster board, old toys, sticks, or anything you can think of!

9. **MOVIE POSTER:** Design a movie poster advertising a movie based on The Lightning Thief.

8. **GREEK MYTHOLOGY:** Choose a god or goddess that was mentioned in The Lightning Thief. Do research about him or her. Make a creative presentation about your findings. You might choose to write an essay, create a poster, or complete a Power Point presentation.

7. **NEWS INTERVIEW:** Imagine you are a journalist that is interviewing one of the characters from The Lightning Thief. Write a script for it. With a partner, either record it to show to the class, or perform it in front of the class!

6. **BOARD GAME:** Create a board game which is themed around The Lightning Thief. Be creative!

5. **PLAYRIGHT:** Choose your favorite scene(s) from The Lightning Thief. Write it in the form of a play. Either record it to show to the class, or perform it in front of the class!

4. **NEWSPAPER:** Create a newspaper that is themed around the events in the book. You might include articles, advertisements, comic strips, and an advice column.

3. **DEAR DIARY:** Choose a character in the book. Write about the events in the book from his or her point of view, in the form of several diary entries.

2. **WHO'S THE AUTHOR?:** Use the Internet to do research about the author, Rick Riordan. Write a biography about him. Make sure to include a Works Cited page.

1. **SEQUEL:** Write a sequel to The Lightning Thief. What happens to Percy?

Now that you have completed the book, choose one of the final projects to do below!

Culminating Project Choices

Name _____