

adventure  
affected by  
dangerous

defeats  
fail  
intelligent

journey  
magic  
mentors

opportunity  
protect  
safety

struggles  
succeeds  
treasure

Perseus is a Greek hero who lives on an island with his family. On a nearby island lives Medusa. Medusa is a female monster with hair made of snakes. She is very dangerous <sup>1.</sup> When anyone looks upon her ugly face, they turn to stone. Many young men try to kill her. But they all \_\_\_\_\_ <sup>2.</sup> because they do not turn their eyes away. They all lose their lives. One day, the king of the land asks Perseus to go on a \_\_\_\_\_ <sup>3.</sup> to bring back the head of Medusa. Perseus does not want to leave the \_\_\_\_\_ <sup>4.</sup> of his home and family. But he decides to say yes. For Perseus, this is a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ <sup>5.</sup> to show his power as a young man.

On the road to find Medusa, Perseus meets two \_\_\_\_\_ <sup>6.</sup> who will help him. First, he meets the god Hermes. Hermes gives him \_\_\_\_\_ <sup>7.</sup> shoes with wings. With these shoes, Perseus can fly. Second, he meets Athena, the goddess of war. She gives him a shield<sup>1</sup> to \_\_\_\_\_ <sup>8.</sup> himself. How can Perseus kill Medusa without looking at her? Perseus is a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ <sup>9.</sup> young man. He uses the shoes to fight Medusa from the air. He uses the shield as a mirror to see Medusa, so he can cut off her head without looking directly at her. They start to fight. Medusa \_\_\_\_\_ <sup>10.</sup> . She cannot win. In the end, Perseus \_\_\_\_\_ <sup>11.</sup> Medusa and \_\_\_\_\_ <sup>12.</sup> .

On the trip home, Perseus meets and falls in love with Andromeda, his true love. Together they return to the king with Medusa's head in a bag. Perseus' \_\_\_\_\_ <sup>13.</sup> is over—the monster is dead and he has his \_\_\_\_\_ <sup>14.</sup> , Andromeda. Perseus' whole community is \_\_\_\_\_ <sup>15.</sup> his success when he becomes king.