

The characters in the stories



Hercules

The Greek hero who has to perform 12 labors, under Hera's curse.



Hera

The queen of gods. She curses Hercules.



Hyppolyta

The queen of the Amazons who gives her girdle to Hercules.



Eurystheus

The king of Tiryns who gives 12 labors.



Loloas

Hercules' assistant who helps Hercules kill Hydra.



Atlas

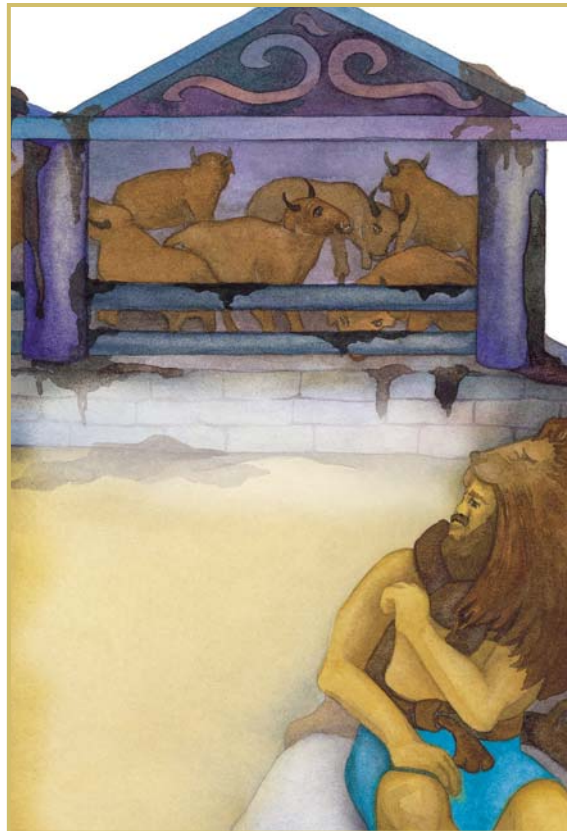
One of Titans. He carries the Earth upon his two shoulders.

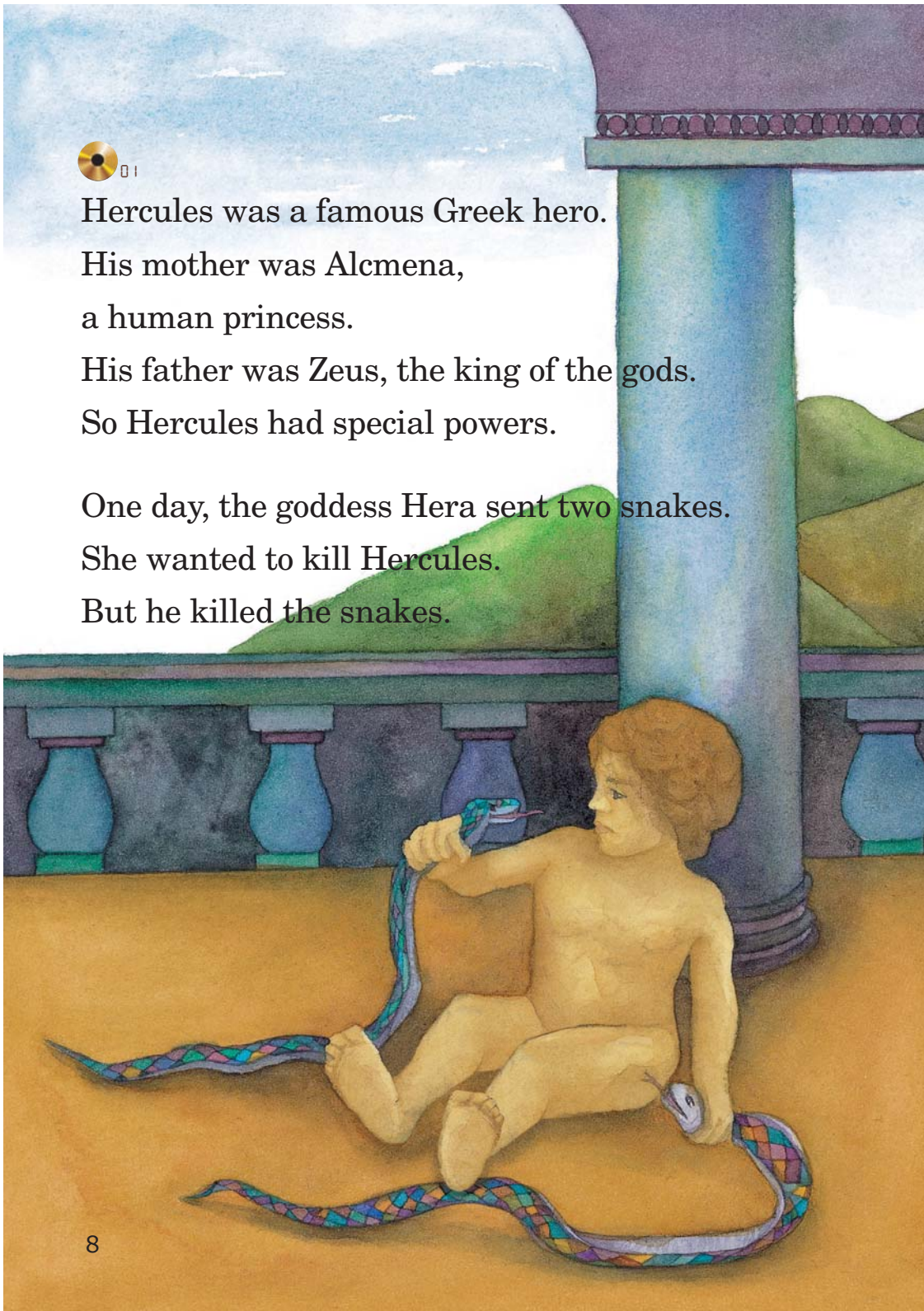


Minos

The king of Crete. Hercules helps the king to kill the bull that the god of the sea Poseidon sent to king Minos.

Hercules the Hero





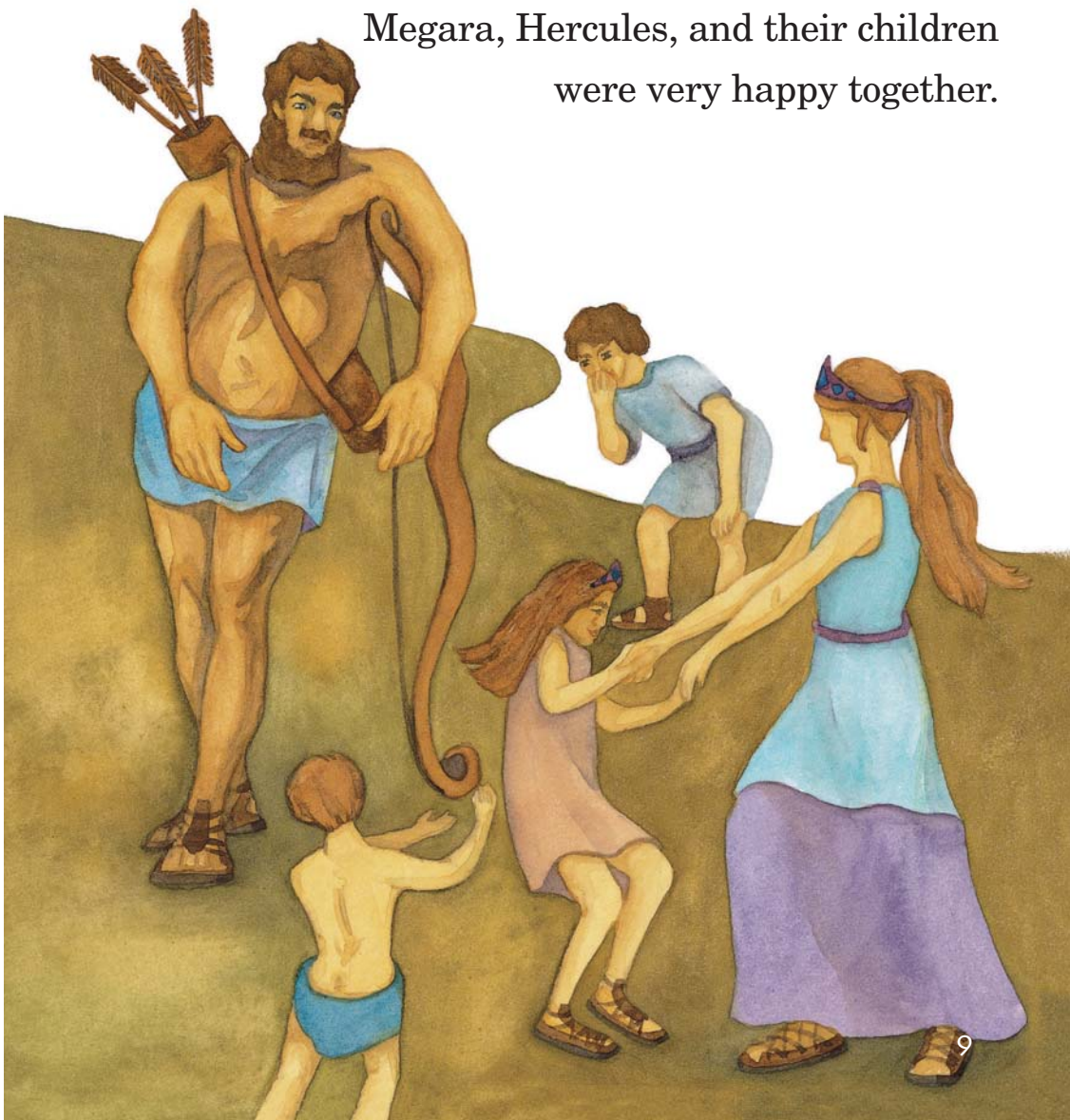
Hercules was a famous Greek hero.

His mother was Alcmena,
a human princess.

His father was Zeus, the king of the gods.
So Hercules had special powers.

One day, the goddess Hera sent two snakes.
She wanted to kill Hercules.
But he killed the snakes.

Hercules grew older.
He did many great things.
He was a very good shot with a bow and arrow.
He was the strongest man in the world.
Hercules married a beautiful woman named Megara.
Megara, Hercules, and their children
were very happy together.





The goddess Hera hated Hercules.
She wanted bad luck for Hercules.
One night, she used bad magic on Hercules.
The magic made him crazy.
Suddenly he killed his wife, children,
and many other people.



Three days later, Hercules became normal again. He was very upset. Hercules prayed to the gods. And he asked them for help.

But Hera wanted to hurt Hercules more. “Hercules, go to the land of King Eurystheus. You will work for him there,” Hera said.

