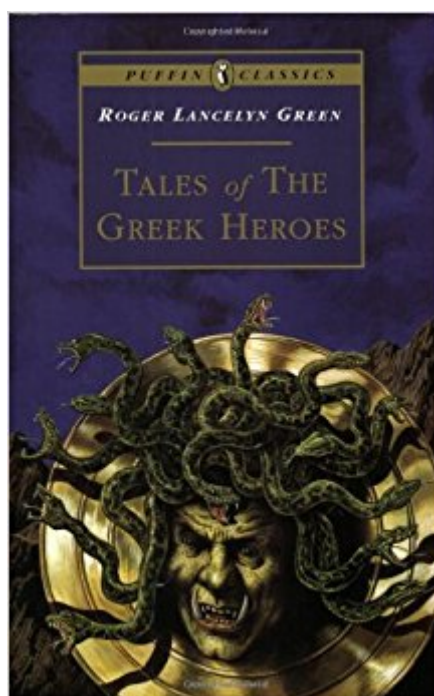


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Synopsis

This book presents the great stories of the heroic age - "Dionysus", "Heracles", "Theseus", "The Quest for the Golden Fleece", and many more.

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Customer Reviews

The Puffin Classic series is the perfect way of reading the old and the new - and loving both *

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Roger Lancelyn Green was born in 1918 and lived in Oxford and at his family home in Cheshire, which the Greens had owned for more than 900 years. He loved storytelling and was fascinated by traditional fairy tales, myths and legends from around the world. He was a professional actor, a librarian and a teacher. His retellings include Egyptian, Greek and Norse legends, plus a retelling of Robin Hood. He also wrote many books for adults, including a biography of his friend C. S. Lewis, creator of the The Chronicles of Narnia. Roger Lancelyn Green died in 1987.

Tales of the Greek Heroes weaves together stories of ancient Greek heroes from the beginning to Troy. The stories are similar to any other retelling, but the book manages to make them more of a cohesive unit with one story relating to and leading to the next. These retellings are excellent and I highly recommend reading them to people of all ages!

I have long been a fan of the Greek Myths every since Jr. High. With "Percy Jackson" books giving these Myths a new spin, this is a great book to get acquainted with the origins of the plot elements found in Rick Riordan's great books. you will discover so many of the items such as "The Golden Fleece," and run in to many of the many of the monsters, "Medusa," "The Minotaur," as well as see the parallel adventures found in the "Percy Jackson" books. These stories are far from boring and reading the original myths will give you a greater appreciation for why the modern versions by Rioran are so engaging. If you've read up to the "Son of Neptune" you will see a familiar piece of wood that when burned will end a heroes life. Such are the benefits found by reading this book. You will also read about the greatest Hero of all and his many labors. A must read.

Great book for kids that want to learn about myths. Stories are well organized and easy to read.

As a middle school teacher, I found the structure of this book a little surprising. Green uses the life of Hercules to give the book a sort of loose narrative that ties the whole thing together. For someone who is looking for great insight or faithful translations of old stories, I wouldn't recommend this. For someone looking to give an adolescent a gateway into mythology, I would highly recommend this.

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Really cool book, it's like adventure and stuff and its action packed. Hey, if you like Greek mythology, then I suggest you read these series, Heroes of Olympus, Percy Jackson and the Olympians, and The Kane Chronicles. Also, try the books, Son of Sobek, and Staff of Serapis. They're about modern day teen half-bloods that face the same dangers that the old heroes faced. They are the best books ever. The books are written by Rick Riordan, the best author ever, who helped out making this book.

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Love, love, love this book! I find that some Greek mythology stories are too watered down for kids. These of course have been watered down but not too much. I also love the way the book looks. It has a very nice cover.

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