

TITLE: Iliad

AUTHOR: Homer

GENRES: Epic poem

POSSIBLE THEMES AND CORRESPONDING OBJECTS:

The Glory That Was (Homer's) Greece Lives On!

Doryphoros (86.6, G230) (Roman copy of Polykleitos' bronze)

Black-figure Hydria, Antimenes (61.59, G241)

Compare: Red-figure Volute krater

Diana the Huntress by Giovanni Battista Gaulli (69.37, G330)

Compare: Venus and Adonis, Mignard

Ganeymede and the Eagle by Bertel Thorvaldsen (66.9, G307)

Psyche Abandoned by Augustin Pajou (74.24a,b; G306)

Compare: Union of Love and Friendship, Prud'hon

L'Amour et L'Amite, Carrier-Belleuse

Theseus Slaying the Centaur Bianor by Antoine-Louis Barye (55.11a,b; G321)

The Kiss of Victory by Sir Alfred Gilbert (76.32, G357)

Warrior with Shield, Henry Moore (54.22, G375)

ALTERNATES

The Rape of Polyxena (74.25, G322)

Opheus and Eurydice (68.1, G351)

NOTES: I toured this with high school students last year and this year; a bit of background or interest helps. This may not hit the top of the charts with book clubs, but the teacher who requested the tour this year would like to repeat it next year.

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