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Once upon a time there was a great Greek hero, Hercules. He was taller and stronger than anyone you have ever seen. On his shoulder he carried a club and in his hand he held a bow. He was known as the hero of a hundred adventures. Hercules served a king. The king was afraid of him. So again and again he sent him on difficult tasks. One morning the king sent for him and told him to fetch three golden apples for him from the garden of the Singing Maidens (歌女). But no one knew where the garden was. So Hercules went away. He walked the whole day and the rest day and the next. He walked for months before he saw mountains far in the distance one fine morning. One of the mountains was in the shape of a man, with long, long legs and arms and huge shoulders and a bug's head. He was holding up the sky. Hercules knew it was Atlas, the Mountain God. So he asked him for help. Atlas answered, ' My head and arms and shoulders all ache. Could you hold up the sky while I fetch the golden apples for you? ' Hercules climbed the mountain and shouldered the sky. Soon the sky grew very heavy. When finally Atlas came back with three golden apples, he said, ' Well , you are going to carry the mountain for ever. I ' m going to see the king with the apples. ' Hercules knew that he couldn ' t fight him because of the sky on his back. So he shouted: ' Just one minute ' s help. My shoulders are hurting. Hold the sky for a minute

while I make a cushion (垫子) for my shoulders. ' Atlas believed him. He threw down the apples and help up the sky. Hercules picked up the apples and ran back to see the king. 1. What do you know about Hercules according to the first paragraph? A. He was a Greek hero. B. He was a king. C. He was the Mountain God.

D. He was a man of adventures. 2. Hercules was given many difficult tasks because _____. A. he was the strongest man.

B. the king wanted to get rid of him. C. the king wanted to test his strength. D. those tasks had to be done anyway 3. Which of the following can best describe Atlas according to the text? A. He

looked like a mountain. B. He was a man with bug shoulders and arms. C. He was a man with long legs and a huge head. D. He

was the giant who bled up the sky. 4. Atlas got the golden apples for Hercules because _____. A. he wanted to help Hercules

B. he was afraid of Hercules. C. he did not want to hold the sky any more. D. he wanted to be the king himself 5. Hercules finally

managed to get the apples _____. A. by fooling Atlas B. by defeating Atlas C. because he ran faster than Atlas D. because

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