



The feeling of anger!

Feeling the Art
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Anger in Ancient Greece



TROJAN WAR (ILIAD)

The anger of Achilles



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- For nine years the Achaeans (Greeks) fought with the Trojans. In the tenth year Agamemnon quarreled with Achilles. Agamemnon had a slave girl named Chryseida. Her father, Chrysis, was a priest of Apollo. Chrysis came from the island of Tenedos with gifts, a golden staff and the sacred wreaths of the god, to beg Agamemnon to take his daughter back. But Agamemnon in anger, drove the old man away. Chrysis begged the god Apollo to help him. Apollo became invisible and went to the Achaean camp and began to kill animals and people with his arrows. A terrible disease fell among the Achaeans, and they were dying. Chrysis begged Agamemnon again.
- This misfortune lasted for nine days. On the tenth day they asked the seer Calchas why such a calamity had befallen them. Calchas told them that Apollo was angry because Agamemnon had disrespected Chryseis. Agamemnon then sent Chryseida to her father. But he ordered Achilles' slave, Briseis, to be brought to his tent. Achilles was very angry with this insult and wanted to kill Agamemnon. But the goddess Athena stopped him. Achilles locked in his tent and swore never to fight again.



The anger of Achilles

You can watch this animation for this story (select the auto-generated English subtitles):

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=skRG2YMCpq8>

Activity:

Get to know the story

Become little actors and play the story



Apple of Discord



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- Eris, sister of Ares and daughter of Night, was the goddess of jealousy and discord. When the gods did not invite her to the wedding of Peleus and Thetis, she became angry and decided to take revenge on them.
- She threw an apple between Athena, Hera and Aphrodite. The apple bore the inscription "the fairest", that is, to the most beautiful.
- As expected, the three goddesses each claimed it for themselves, and the fight soon broke out. To put an end to the fight, they asked Paris, the prince of Troy, to decide who should get the apple. To appease him, each of the goddesses promised him a gift: Athena promised him spiritual wisdom, Hera that she would make him king, and Aphrodite that she would give him the beautiful Helen as his wife – the most beautiful woman in the world.
- Paris eventually gave the apple to Aphrodite, and his decision led to the beginning of the Trojan War. Eris had achieved her goal.
- We make use of the phrase "apple of discord" for something that is claimed by two or more people at the same time and thus becomes a cause for argument.



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Medusa



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- Medusa was the only mortal of the three Gorgons, daughters of the sea gods Phorcys and Cetus.
- According to the myth, she was a priestess of the goddess Athena. However, Athena, enraged with her because she believed that she had disrespected her sanctuary, transformed her into a hideous monster, with living snakes in place of hair and the power to turn anyone who looked at her face to stone.
- According to a later myth, Medusa compared her beauty with that of the goddess Athena and thought herself to be more beautiful than her, which angered Athena.
- Her end was sad: Perseus cut off her head with the help of Athena. Immediately the children of Poseidon - Pegasus the winged horse and the gigantic warrior Chrysaor - sprang from within her.
- It should also be noted that the Feminist movement attempted to make Medusa a symbol of female rage.



Medusa

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- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6V1m0oeZWAI>

Activity:

- Create your own Medusa mosaic (instructions are provided in another presentation)



Anger in Greek Revolution



“Greek
fighter”



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- Ludovico Liparini was a philhellene Italian painter.
- In his work “Greek Fighter” we see one of the rebellious Greeks wearing a traditional costume, leaning on his open legs and having his arms crossed on his chest, a sign of determination for the Revolution. The painter also depicts the determination in the serious and focused gaze of the fighter. He stands firmly, in an open space where, scattered, are the remains of an ancient temple, declaring in this way the timelessness as well as the connection of the Greek fighter with the ancient Greek heritage which, with his stance, he seems to be defending. He is angry towards the conqueror. The vibrant colors intensify the need and struggle for Life and Freedom.



“Greek fighter”

Activity:

Paint the face of the fighter



The Combat of the Giaour and Hassan



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- The Combat of Giaour and Hassan is one of the leading early paintings by Eugène Delacroix.
- The general theme involves a passion for revenge, and a struggle between two different worlds in an exotic battlefield, Ottoman Greece. The painting depicts the dramatic climax of the poem when Giaour—that is, the infidel—avenges the death of his mistress at the hands of the Turk Hassan.



Iakovidis' childhood quarrel



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Activity:

Observe Iakovidis' painting and describe the children's faces.
What do you think each child is feeling?



The Anger in nature

Compare the following images





Paintings by the painter Vasilis Hatzis





Paintings by the painter Altamura





Paintings by the painter Volanakis





Paintings by the painters Zepo and Palantzas



Anger in music



A song about anger

Oh I turned red (Οχ, Κοκκίνισα!)

- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KMMv-Jw3FEM&ab_channel=AnotherTalebyChristinaApostolidi



A song about anger

The Great Anger

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mpBFXpfhngU>

Activity:

- Listen to the music and express yourselves with movements.

