

0. DEATH OF HECTOR - Story Preface

1. ACHILLES

2. HELEN AND PARIS

3. THE TROJAN WAR

4. THE PLOT THICKENS

5. DEATH OF HECTOR

6. DEATH OF ACHILLES

7. THE WOODEN HORSE

8. RUINS OF TROY AND MYCENAE



Depicting detail from a black-figure hydria, this image shows Achilles as he bends-over the body of a now-deceased Hector. Fastening Hector's remains to his chariot, Achilles plans to drag the body around the Greek camp. By mutilating Hector's corpse, Achilles seeks revenge for the death of his close friend and relative, Patroclus (Patroklos). The Athenian artifact was made by the Leagros Group and illustrated by the Antiope Painter, circa 510 B.C. Online via Wikimedia Commons.

Because Hector had Achilles' armor, Thetis (Achilles' mother) gave her son a special shield and new armor to protect him in battle. Attempting to avenge the death of Patroclus, Achilles pursued Hector and engaged him in a one-on-one fight.

Despite valiant efforts, Hector lost. Desecrating the remains of his enemy, Achilles dragged Hector's body behind his chariot, past the tomb of Patroclus.

Priam, Hector's father, was inconsolable not only because his son was dead but because he could not give him a proper burial. Commanded by Zeus to ransom the body of his son, Priam and Hecuba (Hector's mother) surreptitiously sought out Achilles, in the night, to beg for their son's remains.

Giving up his human trophy, the Greek warrior himself did not have much longer to live.

See Alignments to State and Common Core standards for this story online at:

<http://www.awesomestories.com/asset/AcademicAlignment/DEATH-OF-HECTOR-Troy>

See Learning Tasks for this story online at:

<http://www.awesomestories.com/asset/AcademicActivities/DEATH-OF-HECTOR-Troy>

Media Stream



Achilles - Receives New Armor from Mother

Image online, courtesy the University of Arkansas [website](#).

View this asset at:

<http://www.awesomestories.com/asset/view/Achilles-Receives-New-Armor-from-Mother>



Achilles - Mother (Thetis) Orders New Armor

Attic red-figure Kylix, 490-480 BC - also known as the "Berlin Foundry Cup."

Maintained at the Altes Museum, Berlin, Germany - Kompartiment XV (Die Götter Griechenlands), case 7

Reference, [Beazley Archive](#) (at Oxford), ARV2, 1573.

View this asset at:

<http://www.awesomestories.com/asset/view/Achilles-Mother-Thetis-Orders-New-Armor>



Hector - Pursued by Achilles

Image online, courtesy the University of Paris.

View this asset at:

<http://www.awesomestories.com/asset/view/Hector-Pursued-by-Achilles>



Hector - Resisting Achilles

Attic red-figure cup, circa 480 BC.

View this asset at: <http://www.awesomestories.com/asset/view/Hector-Resisting-Achilles>

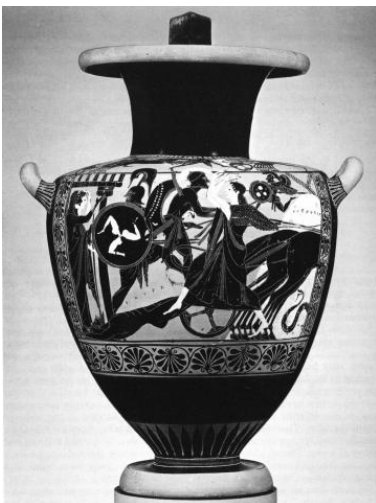


Retribution - Achilles Defeats Hector

Image online, courtesy the University of Arkansas [website](#).

View this asset at:

<http://www.awesomestories.com/asset/view/Retribution-Achilles-Defeats-Hector>

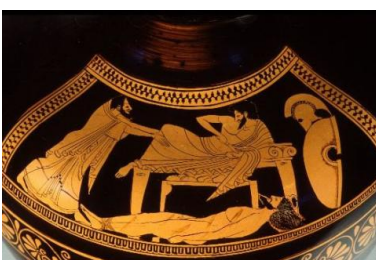


Retribution - Achilles Drags Hector's Body

Image online, courtesy the Theoi Project [website](#).

View this asset at:

<http://www.awesomestories.com/asset/view/Retribution-Achilles-Drags-Hector-s-Body>



Retribution - Achilles Keeps Hector's Body

Image online courtesy the Wesleyan University [website](#).

View this asset at:

<http://www.awesomestories.com/asset/view/Retribution-Achilles-Keeps-Hector-s-Body>



Supplication - Priam and Hecuba Visit Achilles

Image online, courtesy the University of Maryland [website](#).

View this asset at:

<http://www.awesomestories.com/asset/view/Supplication-Priam-and-Hecuba-Visit-Achilles>



DEATH OF HECTOR

View this asset at:

<http://www.awesomestories.com/asset/view/DEATH-OF-HECTOR-Illustration->