You’ve probably heard of greek gods and demi-gods. Most of them are described as being resourceful. Athena is very resourceful with weaving, Posidon uses the sea, Hercules with his strength, and so on. But who is most resourceful? In my opinion I would say that Perseus, is most resourceful.

First of all, one of Perseus’s resources, is his love. According to my research, he protects his mother. An evil king tries to marry her, while she doesn’t want to, and Perseus stands up for her. He also went on a quest to save her from the king. Then he fights off a sea serpent, for a woman named Andromeda. They later get married.

Furthermore, he used his bravery and intelligence on his quest against Medusa. Everyone says Medusa is a hideous and terrifying creature. She had snakes for hair and turns anyone that looks at her, into stone. Perseus, instead of looking at her in her eyes, like everyone else who was stone did, looked in a mirror instead, and chopped off her head. Additionally, Perseus uses Medusa’s head as a resource. After his victory of defeating Medua, the kings army came for him, and his people. Perseus and his men were outnumbered. His men retreated, but instead of fleeing with them, he stepped forward in bravery. He pulled out Medusa’s head, and made it face the army, they all turned into stone. It’s a pretty simple way to win a battle. Even though he had killed her, her head still carried power.

To end with, his friends, (or fellow gods and demigods) also serve as a resource. At the beginning of his quest, Mermes—one of the only gods that could enter the Underworld, the gods messenger, lent him a sword. If Perseus had used his normal sword, it wouldn’t be able to cut through Medusa’s scales. Hermes’ sword was special, it could cut through anything. Hermes had tiny, foot-sized wings on his ankles, which helped him get to Perseus, gave them to Perseus also. Then, a few days later, Athena gifted him with a stone shield. It would prevent him from being turned to stone.

In conclusion I think Perseus would be the most resourceful god. He has intelligence, bravery, love, and friendship. He cares for everyone, and was brave enough to encounter Medusa. He, to me, is by so far the most resourceful god or demigod.
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In your opinion, which person—Hercules or Perseus—was more resourceful?

In my opinion Perseus is more resourceful instead of Hercules and my reasons are below. He had lots of resources. Here are some examples of his resources. From Hermes he got flying shoes to help him with cutting off Medusa’s Head and also got a sword. He got a shield from the goddess of war Athena. Those were some of his resources.

Second, he used what he knew to protect him from Medusa. He used his shield so he couldn’t see Medusa. If you look at Medusa she has snakes for hair and she is so frightening she will turn you to stone! He was smart and did not look at Medusa because of the shield.

Last, he was determined because if he failed he could not protect his mother. For example he never stopped protecting his mother from the king. The king wanted to marry his mother by he would never let that happen. I think Perseus is more resourceful than Hercules.

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Prompt: In your opinion, which person—Hercules or Perseus—was more resourceful?

Hercules or Perseus?
By Student C

There are many Greek gods in ancient history, like Hercules and Perseus. Out of both of them, Hercules was more resourceful because he had harder tasks to do.

Some of these tasks were hard. First, he had to fight the Nemean lion. When he tried to use all of his weapons, they broke. So he had to use his bare hands. It was hard to do, but he did it. Then, he had to kill the hydra with nine heads and one head that was immortal. The immortal head could not be destroyed. So Hercules accepted the challenge. He shot flaming arrows at it, but it didn’t work and the hydra coiled around his leg. He hit the hydra with his club. Every head he killed two more grew on. He had a little help from Zeus. Zeus made it so the immortal head could be destroyed. Lastly, he had to get the golden apples from the garden of Hesperides Which was guarded by a fierce dragon. He went to talk to Atlas who owned the garden. Hercules tricked Atlas into getting apples for him. When he came back with the apples, Hercules tricked atlas again into taking back the earth, which Atlas had to hold. Hercules brought the apples back to the king.

This is why Hercules was more resourceful than Perseus. Those are the tasks he had to do. They were harder.

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Hercules or Perseus?
By Student D

Who do you think was more resourceful Hercules or Perseus? Hercules is more resourceful because he was bold and strong.

One reason why I think that Hercules is resourceful is because he is bold! He is bold because he used his resources to help him complete his tasks. For example when he asked for Atlas to help to get the golden apples to prove that he was resoureful of his power. Another reason why he is resourceful is because he is strong. For example he kiss th e lion and the hyd ras with his bare hands.

Now it is clear that Hercules is more resourceful because he is bold and strong.
Hercules or Perseus?
By Student E

Do you know some Greek heroes? Such as Hercules or Perseus. In my opinion, I think Perseus is way more resourceful than Hercules.

First of all, Perseus is friends with some Greek gods like the god messenger or Athena the god of war. Furthermore, Perseus is so smart because he was sent on a quest from an evil king that wanted to marry his mother so he distracted Perseus by telling him to get the head of Medusa! Which he did and he used it against an evil army also he used it against the evil king. Additionally, Perseus had a sword as strong as diamonds and diamond can only be cut by diamond he also has shoes that make him fly, also a silver shield, and Medusa’s head. Last but not least, he is so strong that he threw a discus (frisbee) so far that he killed his grandpa with it on accident.

In conclusion, that is why I think Perseus is more resourceful than Hercules. Also he is a better Greek hero.

Introducing the topic is technically proficient, but seems basic.

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Reasons and details are included, but could use some additional details.

Linking words are good, but seem to get lost in the large body paragraph.

This writing would be better organized as five paragraphs.

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Hercules or Perseus?
By Student F

If you could choose betwene Perseus or Hercules wich one would you choose I would pick Perseus.

I pick perseus because he kild Medusa by getting a strong sord to cut throu her super strong scales and sandls with weangs on them so he could fly and they help him go super fast he also gets a sheald that could reaflect things because it is so shine and to block his eyes from Medusa terning him into stone

then he enters Medusa cave he sees all the people that got ternd to ston and Medusa comes in the cave he blocked his eyes with the shealed she looks at the shealed she terns to stone and then Perseus cuts her head off.

Once Perseus cut Medusa's hed off he sees a girl and she sais a sea monster is coming and the monster started coming out and he slade it he herd troops coming and an armea arievd and he ponted Medusas head at them and they all ternd to stone.

He starts to go back to the casl and once he gets to the casl he fineds the king and slase him.

In conclousion I think Perseus is cool and I hop you think his cool to.

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