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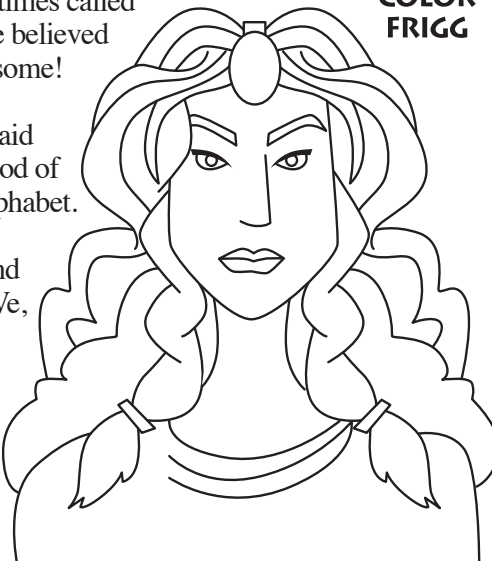
ODIN AND THE NORSE GODS

The people of Northern Europe are sometimes called the **Norse**. Long ago, the Norse people believed in many gods and goddesses. Let's meet some!

Odin was one of the Norse gods. It was said that he created the universe. He was the god of magic, wisdom, war, poetry, and the alphabet.

A Norse origin myth says that Odin and his two younger brothers, Vili and Ve, killed the frost giant Ymir. They used Ymir's bones, blood, and flesh to form the universe.

The goddess **Frigg** was Odin's wife and she alone could sit with him on his high seat, or throne. She was the goddess of motherhood and had the power to tell the future.



COLOR FRIGG



Legend says that Odin created the first man and woman from two different trees. Circle every third letter to discover what kind.

K E B L Y M S T V R L E R E

D A L S K H N T M R J E W E



ODIN'S ANIMALS

Odin is often pictured with two ravens, two wolves and an unusual horse. Write the letter that comes before each letter of the alphabet below to find out what was unusual about Odin's horse.

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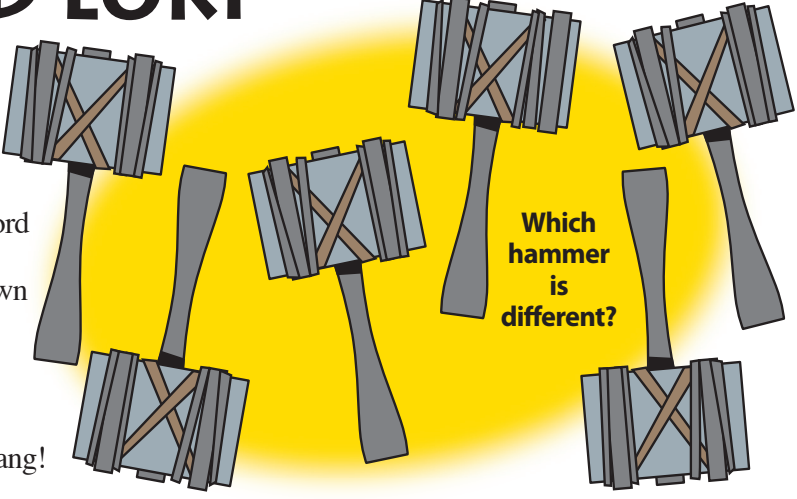
F J H I U M F H T

THOR AND LOKI

Odin and Frigg had two sons: **Thor** and **Loki**. Loki was a mischievous trickster who often caused trouble.

Thor's name was the Germanic word for thunder. He was a very strong warrior. In pictures he is often shown as a large man with a red beard.

Thor had a magic hammer called **Mjollnir**. He could throw it and it would return to him like a boomerang!



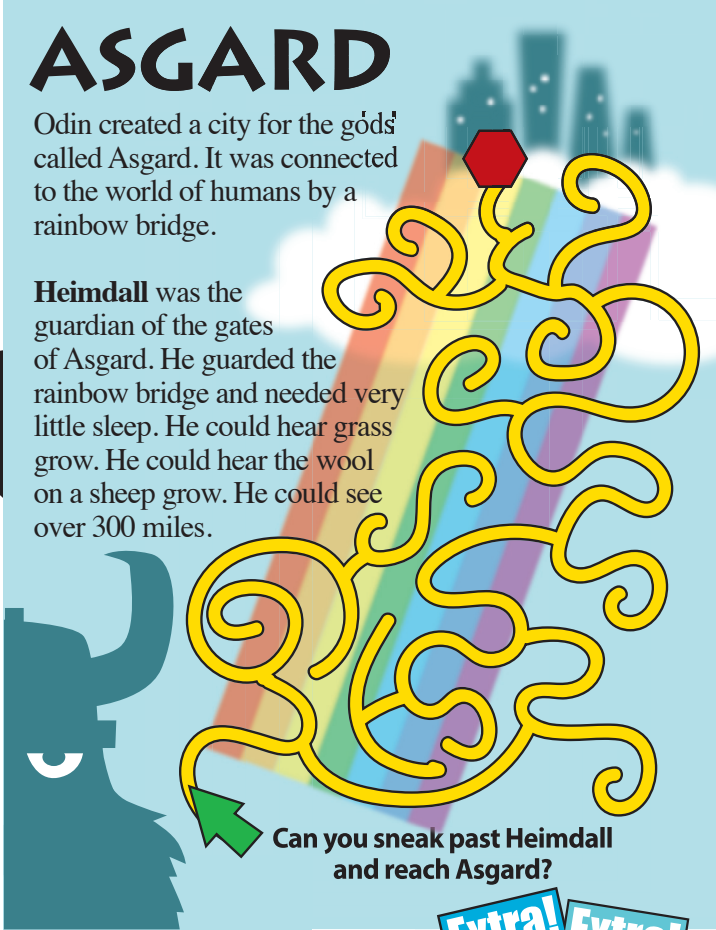
Which hammer is different?

Extra! Extra!

Before and After

Look at a photo in the newspaper. Write a sentence or more telling what you think happened before the photo was taken. Write what you think happened after.

Standards Link: Use the newspaper to locate information.



Kid Scoop Puzzler

HOW ODIN LOST HIS EYE

Put this story in the correct order.

Odin took out his eye and was able to drink from the well to gain wisdom.

Mimir, the wise being that guarded the well, said Odin had to sacrifice an eye before he could drink from the well.

Odin always looked for wisdom.

Odin is often shown with one good eye.

He visited the Well of Urd which held the waters of wisdom.

FROM THE LESSON LIBRARY

Gods Seeking Work

Look through the Help Wanted ads in the newspaper and find what you think would be a good job for each of the gods on today's *Kid Scoop* page. Explain why each god is well suited to each job's requirements.

Standards Link: Language Arts: Identify homonyms.

WHAT DO YOU CALL A SUPERHERO THAT WRITES NOVELS?

ANSWER: Au-Thori!

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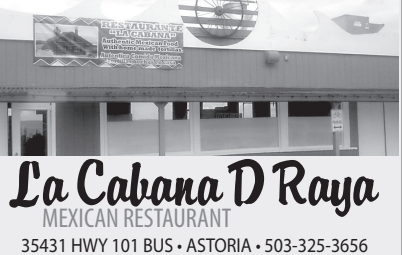


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