Zarek and the Sword of the Sky

A long time ago in the city of Olympia there was a boy called Zarek. Zarek thought he was ordinary or at least that’s what he thought.

One day there was a shudder in the city, but everyone kept doing what they were doing, then it happened again. This time the King of Olympia made Zarek come to the palace immediately. Zarek did as the King asked and went to the palace. Then out of nowhere a horrible beast appeared. She had the head of a dog and the body of a snake.

The King watched as it approached and led Zarek to a scroll and read it aloud to him: “A young boy called Zarek must take the saddle and go to the mountain and pull out the Sword of the Sky to save Olympia.” Zarek looked confused. The King said, “Do as the scroll says,” but Zarek kept interrupting him. “Why is the beast here?” he asked. “Because we stole her eggs” replied the King. “Why?” asked Zarek. “It would have been to dangerous for the eggs to hatch! Did you understand what the scroll said?” “Yes” replied Zarek. “Pack a bag and you’ll also need to take this saddle with you” said the King. “Why?” Zarek wondered. “If you see a flying horse put it on its back” shouted the King as Zarek left the palace.

An hour later Zarek was climbing up the mountain. Suddenly, in a rush of wind, he saw a flying horse and tried relentlessly to put the saddle on its back. At last he did, and he commanded the horse to take him to the top of the mountain. It was a treacherous journey and whey they arrived Zarek looked around searching for the Sword of the Sky. Then he saw it! He slowly walked over to it and pulled and pulled and pulled and pulled. Then when he finally pulled it out, he felt an instant shock like he’d been struck by a lightning bolt. He climbed back on the horse and soared back down the mountain with the sword.

When he arrived back at Olympia, he saw the destruction the beast had caused trying to get her eggs back. She quickly turned to Zarek when she saw him approaching on the horse. Zarek stood his ground as the beast charged at him. Zarek screamed “For Olympia!” and attacked the beast with the Sword of Sky and they fought to the death. After a long, courageous battle Zarek finally won and the King was extremely impressed. He let Zarek be next in line for the throne and together they re-built the city of Olympia. Zarek became a hero and was known for ever more. Sometimes even ordinary people can achieve great things!