

The Bird King Shao Hao



Long ago, a fairy and a star boy had a son, Shao Hao.
He loved birds. Birds helped with seasons, building, and rules.

Five bright phoenixes came when he was born. People called him Bird King.
All was happy.

Gao Xin Marries His Daughter



A king had a dog son, Panhu. A bad king made war.
Panhu bit the bad king's head and won peace.



The king said, "He can marry my daughter."
Panhu turned half-man, half-dog.



They had kids and lived in the hills.



Chisongzi turned into a dragon and made rain. Feilian caught the Wind Mother and made wind.
They helped save crops. Later, they helped good kings fight bad giants.

The Bamboo Princess



An old man found a girl in bamboo.
She grew fast, named Yamato.

The Princess and the Smith



A smith and three princes wanted her.
She chose the kind smith.

The Creation of Fuji



The moon took her back. He chased her.
They jumped into fire. The mountain is now Fuji.

Apollo and the Laurel Tree



Apollo Laughed at Cupid.



The Chase.



Daphne's Transformation.



Apollo's Laurel.
Apollo wore its leaves to show love. All was happy.

The Big and Little Bear



Callisto was a mom.
A mean goddess made her a big bear.



Her son hunted.
He saw the big bear!



A nice god made him a little bear.
Now they are stars in the sky!

From Gold Age to Iron Age

Golden Age: Peace
& Kindness



At first, people lived in gold age—no fights, all kind.

Silver Age: Less Perfect



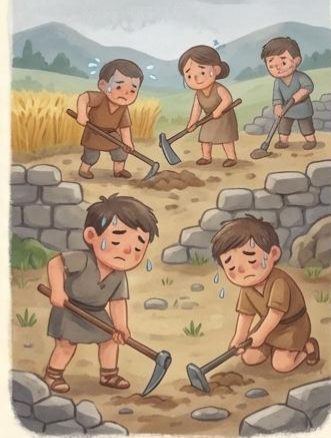
Then silver, bronze, heroes,
iron ages came.

Bronze & Heroic Ages:
Wars & Heroes



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Iron Age: Hard Work



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Apollo and Hyacinth Play



Hyacinth and the god Apollo were best friends. They loved to play games together in the sun.

A Sudden Gust of Wind



One day, the jealous West Wind blew the discus off course. It hit Hyacinth, and he was hurt.

A New Flower Blooms



Apollo was so sad. From Hyacinth's blood, a beautiful purple flower grew.

The West Wind's Sorrow



The West Wind saw the flower and felt very sorry for what it had done.

Hermes, the Messenger God



Long ago, Hermes was born to Zeus and Maia. He was a quick and clever baby, loved by birds.



He stole Apollo's cows and made a lyre. Apollo forgave him, and Hermes became the gods' messenger. All was happy.

Ares, the War God



Ares loved fights. He was strong but rash.
He joined battles, but often lost.



People feared him but did
not always trust him.

Echo the Nymph



Echo was a shy wood nymph.
She watched a boy.



She could only say the
last words. He left.



She grew sad and faded.
Only her voice remained.



Now, you only hear her
echo in the woods.

Echo was a wood nymph. She could only repeat last words.
She loved a boy, but he left. She faded, leaving only her voice.

Neptune, the Sea God



Neptune ruled seas. With his trident, he made waves, storms, and calm. Sailors prayed to him for safe trips.

Venus, the Beauty Goddess



Venus was the most lovely goddess.
She was born from the sea foam, full of kindness and charm.



She helped lovers and made everything beautiful.
Everyone loved her gentle magic.

Cupid's Love Tricks



Cupid was small but mighty. His arrows made gods and people fall in or out of love. He played tricks but wanted true hearts.

Ulysses, the Clever Hero



Ulysses came home after long war. Bad men hurt his house.
He shot an arrow, beat them with his son's help. Peace came back.

The Golden Apple Fight



Three goddesses wanted a golden apple: Juno, Athena, Venus. Shepherd Paris chose Venus. This choice began the Trojan War.

The Trojan Horse



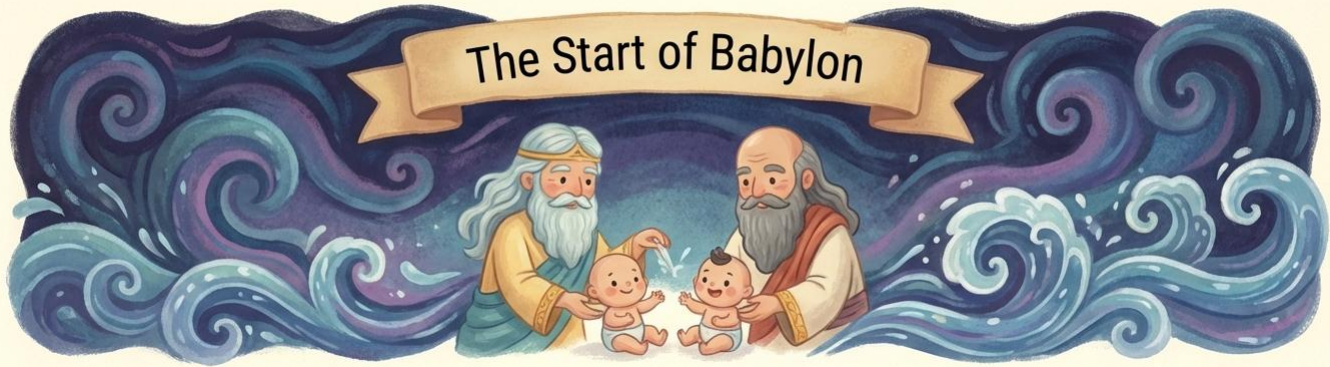
Greeks hid in a big wooden horse. Trojans brought it in.
At night, Greeks came out, opened gates, and won the war.

Semiramis, the Dove Queen



A girl was found by doves. She grew wise and brave.
She helped a king win, became queen. Old, she turned into a white dove.

The Start of Babylon



At first, there was dark water. Two old gods made new gods.
The new gods were noisy. Wise Ea saved them. Order began.

People Learn Farming



People Learn Farming. Gods taught people to grow wheat, drink wine, keep cows, and build homes. Life became warm and full.



A god was angry at noise and sent a big flood.



Atrahasis built a big boat for his family and animals.



They were safe. Other gods felt sorry and stopped the rain.



Everyone lived and the world was peaceful again.



Odin gave one eye for wisdom. He rode an eight-legged horse.
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Odin met two boys. Kind Anagnar was good; mean Gilrod was bad.
Gilrod died. Anagnar became king.

Loki's Trick with Hair



Loki cut Sif's hair. He asked dwarves to make magic hair.
He lost a bet but tricked his way out.

Tyr, the One-Armed God



Tyr put his arm in a wolf's mouth to tie it. The wolf bit it off.
Tyr became the brave war god with one arm.

Singbe Fools the North Wind



Singbe stayed warm while the cold wind blew hard.
The wind got tired. Singbe won the trick.

The Raven's Good Ideas



Raven told gods: rivers flow one way so fish stay; lakes stay water so people work.
Gods did as he said.

Kewoti Helps People



Kewoti killed a monster eating people, gave mouths to a quiet village.
He was kind and strong.

Sun and Moon Gods



Two gods jumped into fire. One became sun, one moon.
A rabbit made moon dimmer. Day and night began.