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THE MYTH OF THE MINOTAUR

A POEM BY PAUL PERRO

There once was a king called Minos,
Who ruled an island known as Crete.
He was the meanest, cruelest king
That you could ever meet.

The monster lived in the labyrinth,
A huge maze of long corridors.
King Minos kept it locked up there
Behind big strong oak doors.

But every now and then, the king
Would give the minotaur a treat.
He'd put some people in the maze
For the monster to eat.

One day, a hero, Theseus,
A very brave young man,
Decided to end the killings,
And came up with a plan.

He offered to be sacrificed
To the monster with the bull's head
But he did not plan to be killed,
His plan was to kill it instead.

Minos's daughter, the princess,
Thought Theseus was cool.
To help him succeed on his quest
She gave him a big ball of wool.

She told him to let out the wool
Behind himself, as he explored,
That way he'd find his way back out.
And she also gave him a sword.

Theseus found the minotaur.
It gave a terrible bellow.
But Theseus was not afraid,
He was a courageous fellow.

It lowered its horns and charged, but
Theseus jumped aside.
He stabbed the monster with his
sword
And it fell down, and died.

Then he followed the trail of wool
And found himself once more.
And no-one ever was again
Eaten up by a minotaur.



CREATE YOUR OWN LABYRINTH



1. Cut out your minotaur and glue him in the center of the plate.
2. Use a pencil to draw the lines of your labyrinth.
3. Go over your pencil lines with glue, and use the yarn to create the lines. You may have to cut the yarn into pieces to create all of the lines.
4. Use a marker to add Greek-inspired patterns around the edge of your plate.

SCRATCH ART GREEK POTTERY

The stories, myths, and legends from Ancient Greece have been told and retold for thousands of years. Today, we can read these stories in books, but the Ancient Greeks often used pottery to record their stories. Greek pottery also typically included geometric patterns.

Create your own legendary story on your scratch-off pottery. Use the stick to scratch images and patterns into your urn. What story are you telling?



GREEK PATTERNS

