

MR. BRUNNER. You'll get used to Mr. D. He can be a bit... Well. He hates children.

PERCY. I thought you were a Latin teacher.

MR. BRUNNER / CHIRON. More like ancient Greek. My true name is Chiron. And my real job is training demi-gods. Half-bloods...like you.

PERCY. So everything that crazy guy said is true.

CHIRON. Do you think the Greek gods stopped existing just because people stopped believing in them? They're all around us. (*Meaningfully.*) And so are their children.

PERCY. But I'm not... I mean, this has to be a mistake. Let me talk to my mom, she'll clear this up. (*Off CHIRON's grave look.*) Where is my mom?

CHIRON. Grover said she fought bravely.

[MUSIC 04A: SHE FOUGHT BRAVELY]

But a mortal woman, against a minotaur...

PERCY. It wasn't a dream. She's really gone.

CHIRON. I'm so sorry, Percy.

PERCY. It's my fault. She was trying to protect me.

CHIRON. You mustn't blame yourself.

PERCY. You say the gods are real. So how could they let that happen?

CHIRON. I'm afraid there are some questions only the gods themselves can answer.

[MUSIC 05: THEIR SIGN]

LOOK FOR THEIR SIGN.

YOU HAVE TO BE PATIENT.

A SIGN THAT THE GODS HAVE A PLAN.

I KNOW THAT THE FUTURE LOOKS BLURRY,