Objective

By the end of this lesson, you will be able to identify and analyze symbolism in Percy Jackson and the Olympians series.

Materials and Prep

Materials needed: Percy Jackson and the Olympians book series by Rick Riordan

Prep: Familiarize yourself with the characters and plot of the series.

Activities

- 1. Symbol Hunt: Pick a chapter from the book and identify any symbols present. Write a short paragraph explaining the symbolism.
- 2. Create a Symbolic Map: Draw a map of Camp Half-Blood and mark different locations with symbols that represent their significance in the story.
- 3. Design Your Own Prophecy: Write a prophecy for a new character in the series using symbolic language.

Talking Points

- What is symbolism and why is it important in literature?
- "Symbols are like codes that can help us understand deeper meanings in a story."
- How can we identify symbolism in Percy Jackson?
- "Look for recurring objects, colors, or actions that might have a deeper meaning."
- What are some common symbols in mythology?
- "In mythology, lightning can symbolize power, and owls can symbolize wisdom."
- Why do authors use symbolism in their writing?
- "Authors use symbolism to add layers of meaning to their stories and make them more engaging."