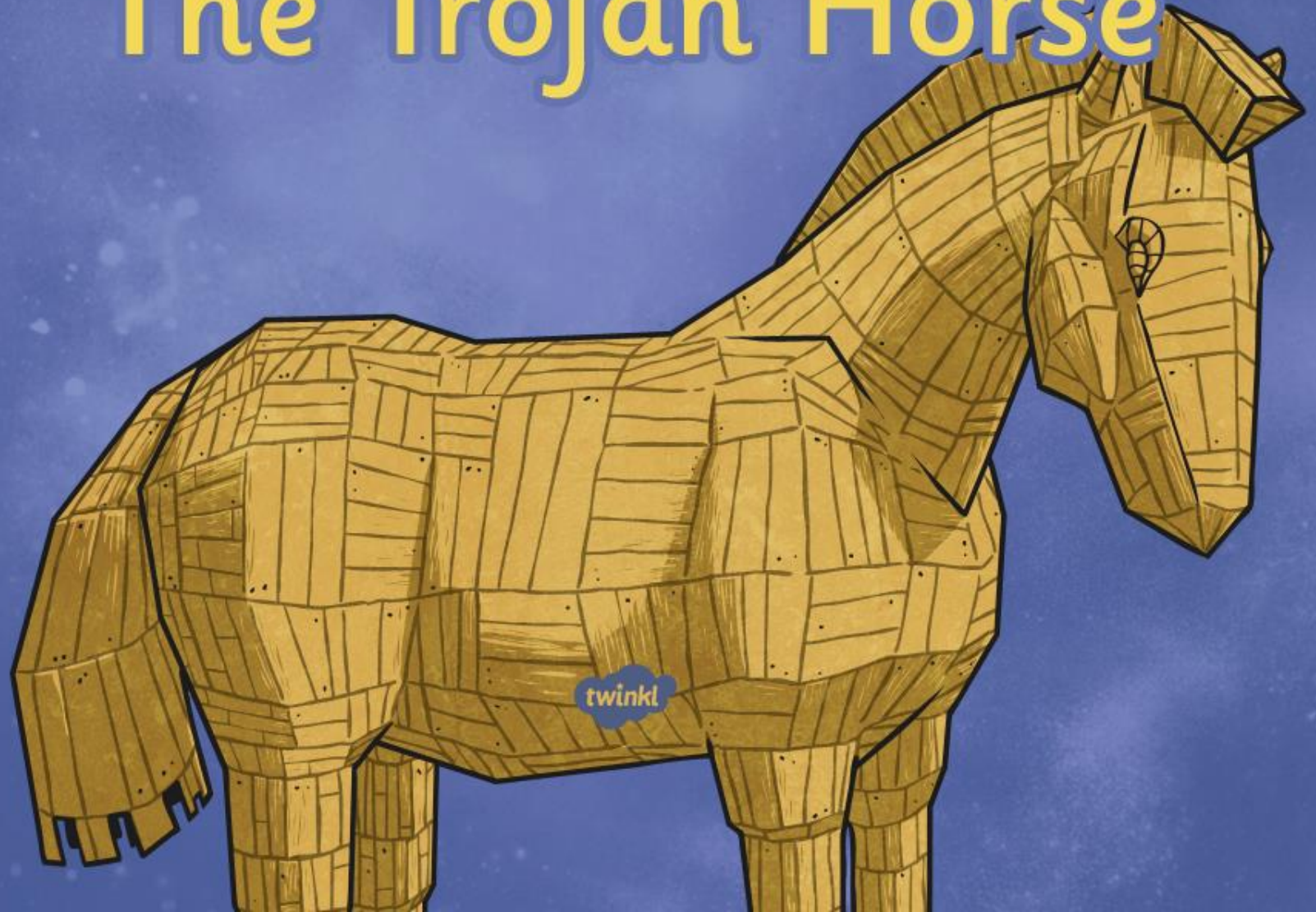
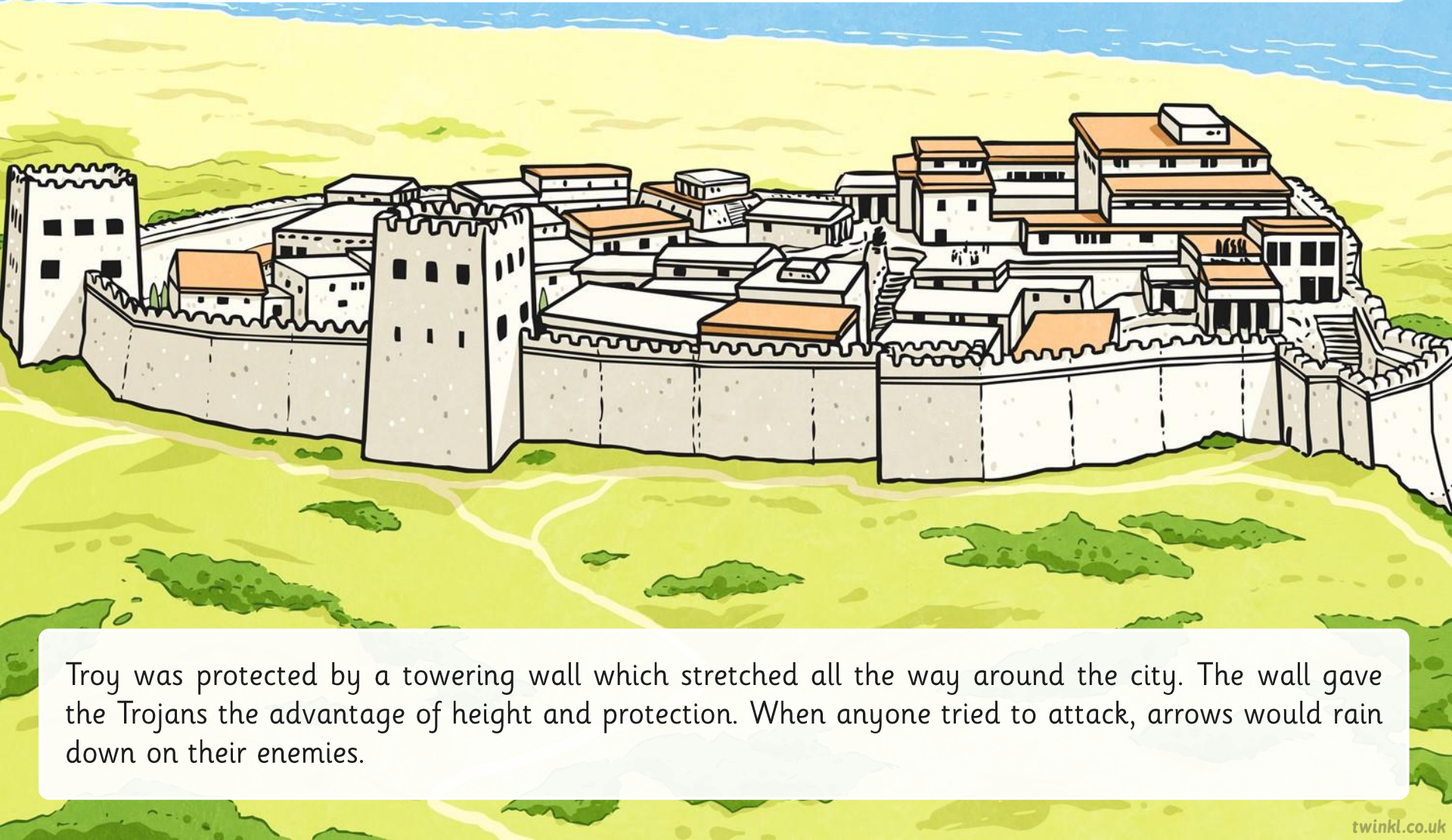


The Legend of  
**The Trojan Horse**



This story takes place in the ancient city of Troy, across the sea from Sparta.

At one time, Troy and other Greek city-states were friends, but during the Trojan War, the Greeks and Trojans became enemies.



Troy was protected by a towering wall which stretched all the way around the city. The wall gave the Trojans the advantage of height and protection. When anyone tried to attack, arrows would rain down on their enemies.





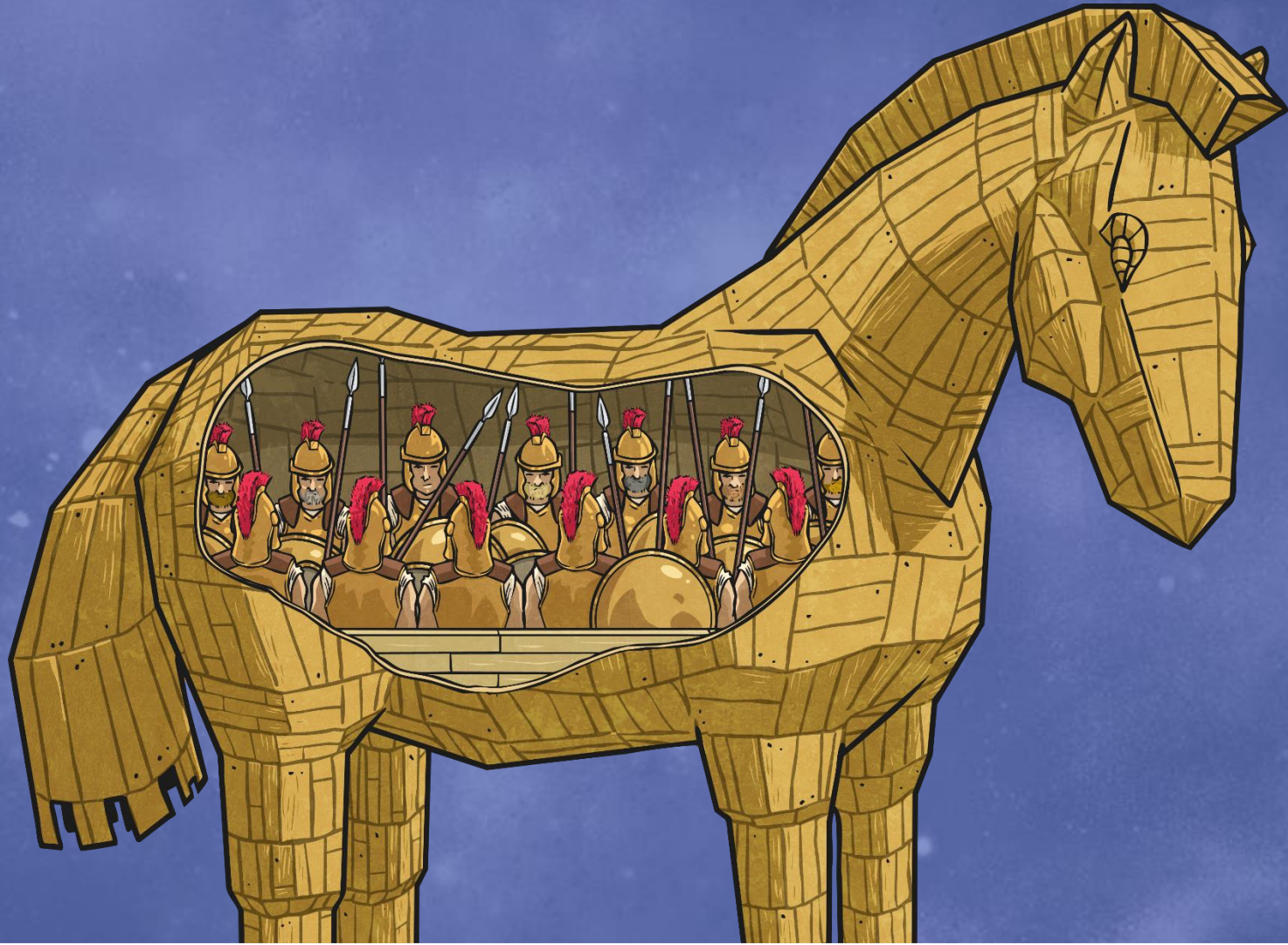
The Greeks had been trying to get over the wall for many years but every attempt was thwarted by the Trojans.



One day, Odysseus, a Greek general, had an excellent idea.

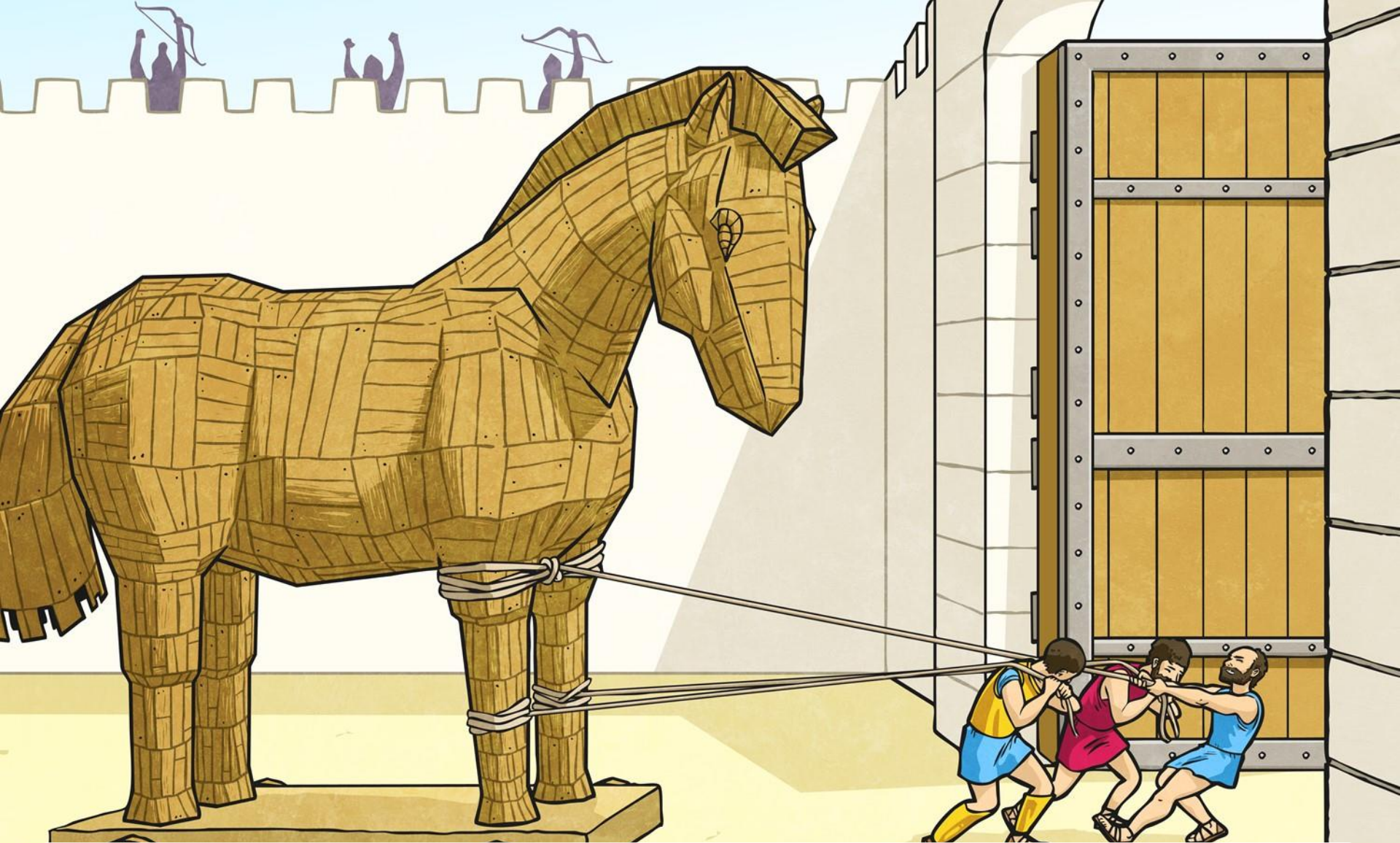
It was a known fact that gifts were left when armies surrendered. Using this information, Odysseus planned to leave a very attractive gift for the Trojans, making them believe that the Greeks had admitted defeat and sailed home.





The Greeks built an enormous, beautiful wooden horse but the body was hollow, with enough space to fit thirty men inside.





The people of Troy were fascinated by the wooden horse standing outside their city wall. As they saw the Greek army sail away, they decided to drag the gift into their city as a symbol of their victory.

That night, the Greek ships turned around and sailed back towards Troy.

Whilst the people of Troy were asleep, the soldiers hiding inside the horse climbed out and signalled to the Greek ships that they had entered the city.



The gates were opened and the Trojans were caught off guard. Troy was destroyed and the Trojan War was over.





The earliest depiction of the Trojan horse on a Mykonos vase.



# Your Challenge

Can you create a Trojan Horse model of your own using materials you have at home? Here is an example of what your model might look like:





# The Design Brief

It must be able to stand up

It must have a central area where you can hide things

It must be created using products found around the home

Ideally it will roll along



# Process to Follow

1. Carry Out Research - what else can you find out about the Trojan Horse online?
2. Planning – what do you want to make? What are the requirements? Check the design brief
3. Work out what resources you need – gather them together
4. Designing – draw a sketch and label it to show what each part will be made from.
5. Creating – make your model. Make sure you measure and cut accurately. Think carefully about the best way to join your pieces together. If part of your design does not work, you will have to rethink it and try again. Think about finishing too e.g. painted, use felt tips, cover with paper etc to make it look like a horse.
6. Evaluating – how did your model work out?



# Sharing the Models

We would love to see the finished results. Either share them during your class Zoom or send photos to [year5-teachers@heymann.notts.sch.uk](mailto:year5-teachers@heymann.notts.sch.uk)