

# PANDORA'S BOX



In the beginning, the gods lived on Mount Olympus.



But only giants and wild beasts lived on earth.



Then the giant Prometheus made people out of clay



and Zeus breathed life into them.



Prometheus taught mankind all he knew,



including respect for the gods.



Zeus occasionally sent a thunderbolt hurtling to earth to remind mankind of his power,



but otherwise, harmony reigned ...



until Prometheus played a trick on Zeus.



Confused as to how to offer a sacrificial bull to Zeus, some men asked Prometheus to show them what to do.



He put a steak on top of one sack of guts and eyeballs.



Then he put guts on top of a sack of chops and steak.



Prometheus then offered both sacks to Zeus.

Zeus chose the one with steak on top,

but when he discovered the true contents, he roared with anger.



In revenge, Zeus extinguished every spark of fire on earth,

leaving mankind cold and hungry.

But Prometheus did not wish his beloved humans to suffer.



So he stole up Mount Olympus, and broke off a blazing piece of sun for the people.

For this, Zeus punished Prometheus by chaining him to a rock.



Each day a great vulture tore out his liver. And each night, his liver grew again. The torture continued for months before Prometheus was released.