

# Athena & Poseidon



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Everybody knows the story when Athena and Poseidon fight over a village and Poseidon gives the village water and Athena gives an olive tree. In that story Athena wins but let me, Fred the fish, tell you the real one.

One day I was swimming in the deep blue ocean having a good time with my family. Then my mom yells "Fred go get us some food." I'm such a good fish so I get food. Suddenly everything goes black and then I'm getting shot out of Poseidon's hand!!!

I'm suddenly swimming in a pond of salt-water?! I see massive hands scooping in the water! Then Athena says something and looks at me. I start to feel funny and I see that I'm growing. I am so big my gills can't go under water. Poseidon mutters something. My gills disappear and I start to grow feet and hands... I am turning into a human!!!

Everybody is staring at me. I see that I have ragged torn up villager clothes on. I don't know how I could ever thank Poseidon. He saved me. Then, I see how I can thank him. I sneak up to the tree at night. I remember that there was a poisonous plant in the sea. I run across the village and dive in the water. I go further down and I am almost out of breath! I find a plant grab it and swim up to land as fast as I can. I rub the plant on the tree and the olives. I wander to my new little house and go to bed.

The next day I see people arguing with Athena and I realize that my plan worked! They announce Poseidon the winner even though his water tasted terrible "snicker" they were thankful that he didn't try to poison the villagers. They named the village Aqua Village. Poseidon looks at me like he was reading my mind and his was! He thanked me and he said "thank you for making me win for this I will claim you as my son! Suddenly, a glowing trident appears over my head and everyone bows.

The next day I meet Poseidon on the beach. He says he is very grateful for what I did so he is sending me on a quest. He says that my quest is to go to a city called New Fork City to find a hidden gem and return it to Poseidon. I agreed to his offer and told him I was going to leave first thing tomorrow for my quest.

The next day I pack my bags and then I call for a water horse. I mount my water horse. It starts without my command and it flips me backwards. I fall off onto the beach. I call for a different water horse because obviously this one is a ding-dong. Finally, the second water horse comes. I mount it and it waits until I'm ready to go, surprisingly! I take off to New Fork City!

Soon I arrive at New Fork City. I pay the water horse and he swims off. I look around and see a bunch of fork shaped things like houses, restaurants, and even cars! Then, I see a weird person who is telling people about gems and that they are magical. I run up to him and ask where it is and he says "right at happy pappy's restaurant where you can find all cool sorts of gems like ones that talk and ones that walk." I have a lot to learn about people and I notice I'm all alone on this quest. "you sure you don't want to come to happy pappy's?"

I walk around the city and after a long day of walking I want to find somewhere to sleep. I see a cozy looking cave and decide to camp there. I take out a lemon bar and eat it. Then I fall asleep. The next morning I walk further into the cave and guess what I see? A giant blue gem. I run towards it and then I run into a giant bear. I probably should have known that this would not be very easy. I see a stream of water and realize I'm the son of Poseidon I can probably use water as a weapon. I take the water and blast it up the giant bears mouth. He chokes and then falls on the ground and faints. I take the gem and run out of the cave as fast as I can. I run all the way through New Fork City and go to the warm beach. I call for a water horse put the gem in my backpack and rush back to Aqua Village.

Soon after, I arrive at Aqua Village and give Poseidon the gem. He said that it would look very nice with his collection of gems. Wait, so I went through all that trouble just to get a gem for Poseidon's collection? I guess I did. He says I'm the best son he could ever have... take that Percy Jackson! I get to live at the village forever as the King!

So that's the real story of Athena and Poseidon. Now you know who really wins! So, never ask which story is the right one because you know this one is. This is the end of the tale of...

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