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## THE FIELD TRIP TO END ALL TRIPS

Percy's sixth-grade field trip was with his classmates at the Yancy Academy. They visited the Metropolitan Museum. It was here that the extraordinary events began which eventually led Percy to Camp Half-Blood.

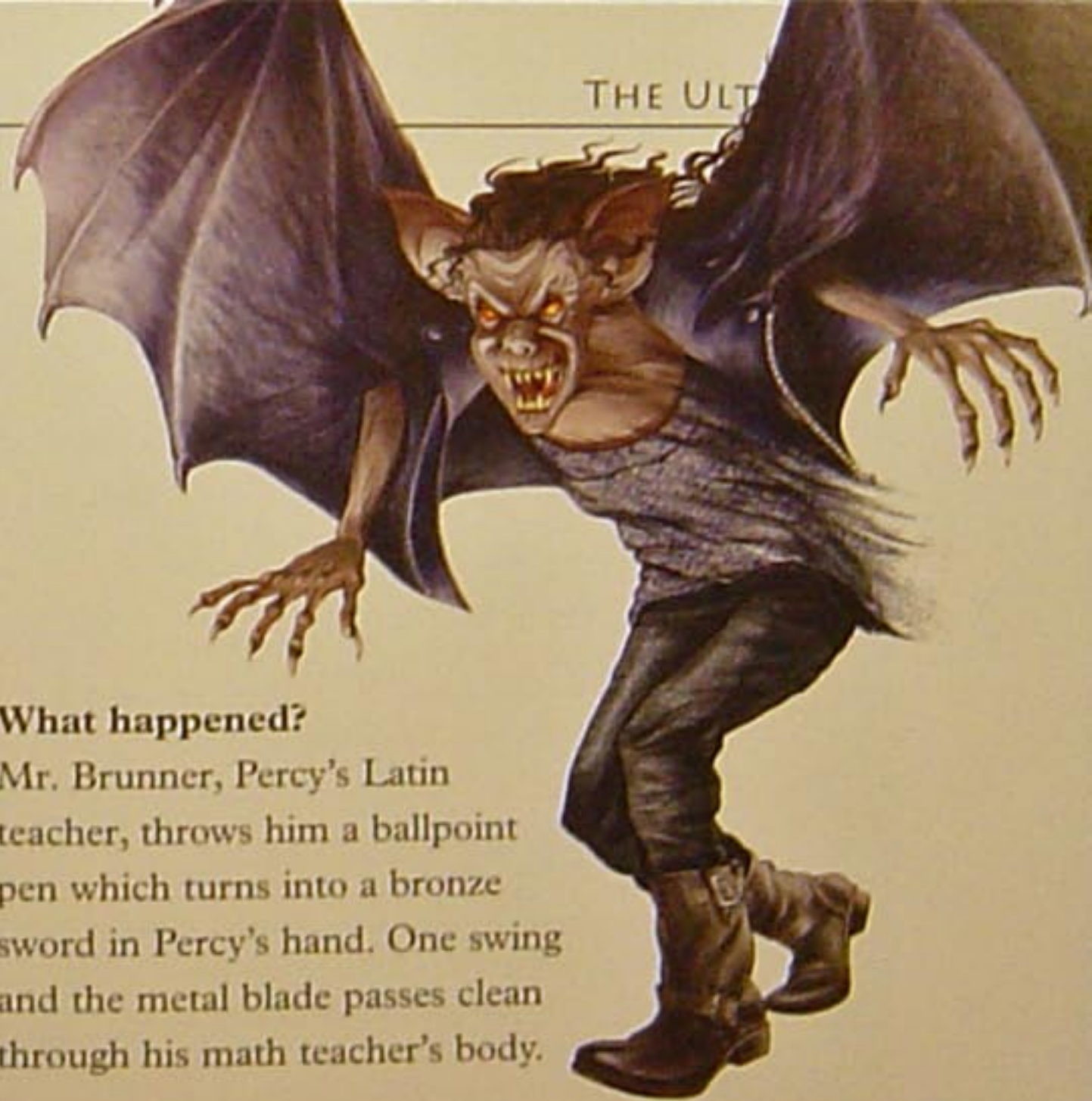
## YANCY CHARACTERS

**Nancy Bobofit:** freckled, redheaded, kleptomaniac. Percy's chief tormentor and the catalyst for the shocking events at the museum.

**Grover:** Percy's best friend; the only sixth-grader with acne and a wispy beard. Curly brown hair. Excused from PE because of a muscular disease in his legs.

**Mr. Brunner:** Percy's Latin teacher, middle-aged, in a motorized wheelchair. Thinning hair, scruffy beard. Wears a frayed tweed jacket and tells stories and jokes in class. Has a collection of Roman weapons.

**Mrs. Dodds:** mean math teacher, always wears a black leather jacket and dislikes Percy. At the museum she transforms into a shrivelled hag with yellow fangs and attacks Percy.



## What happened?

Mr. Brunner, Percy's Latin teacher, throws him a ballpoint pen which turns into a bronze sword in Percy's hand. One swing and the metal blade passes clean through his math teacher's body.

*"Mrs. Dodds was a sand castle in a power fan. She exploded into yellow powder, vaporized on the spot, leaving nothing but the smell of sulphur and a dying screech and a chill of evil in the air, as if those two glowing red eyes were still watching me."*