

Booktalk!



Underworlds #1:

The Battle Begins Script

For this Book Talk you will need:

- A copy of *Underworlds #1: The Battle Begins*
- 3 actors (Hades, Owen, and Sydney)

Hades: *(In a loud and slightly menacing voice)*

Allow me to introduce myself. I am Hades! Welcome. You must be tired after your long journey.

Owen: *(Interrupt abruptly)* Hades, my friend Dana is here with you in the Underworld

Hades: Well, well, well... straight to the point, huh? Yes, she is here. Most unfortunate for you. How did she die?

Sydney: *(Defiantly)* She didn't die! You kidnapped her!

Hades: *(Incredulously)* I certainly did *not* kidnap her! In any case she is lost to you. She has gone, as the name suggests...*(Pause)* under.

Owen: Dana isn't lost and we want her back! We have to bring her home...now!

Hades: Well then, little humans, I might let you take her back but you have to find her first.

Owen: We were warned not to make bargains with you!

Hades: *(Laugh out loud)* At this point I don't see that you have a choice. You have one hour! Let's see what you're made of! *(Give an evil smirk)*

Sydney: So this is a test?

Hades: My dear, dear, child, everything is a test! *(In a booming voice)* Now Go! *(Point to the exit)*
(Owen and Lindsey jump, startled, and then run off stage)

Hades: *(Turn to audience)* Those kids don't know what they are in for! *(Laugh maniacally)* And neither will you...unless you go to your Scholastic Book Fair and pick up a copy of *Underworlds: The Battle Begins*...IF you think you are brave enough! *(Throw head back and laugh again)*



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