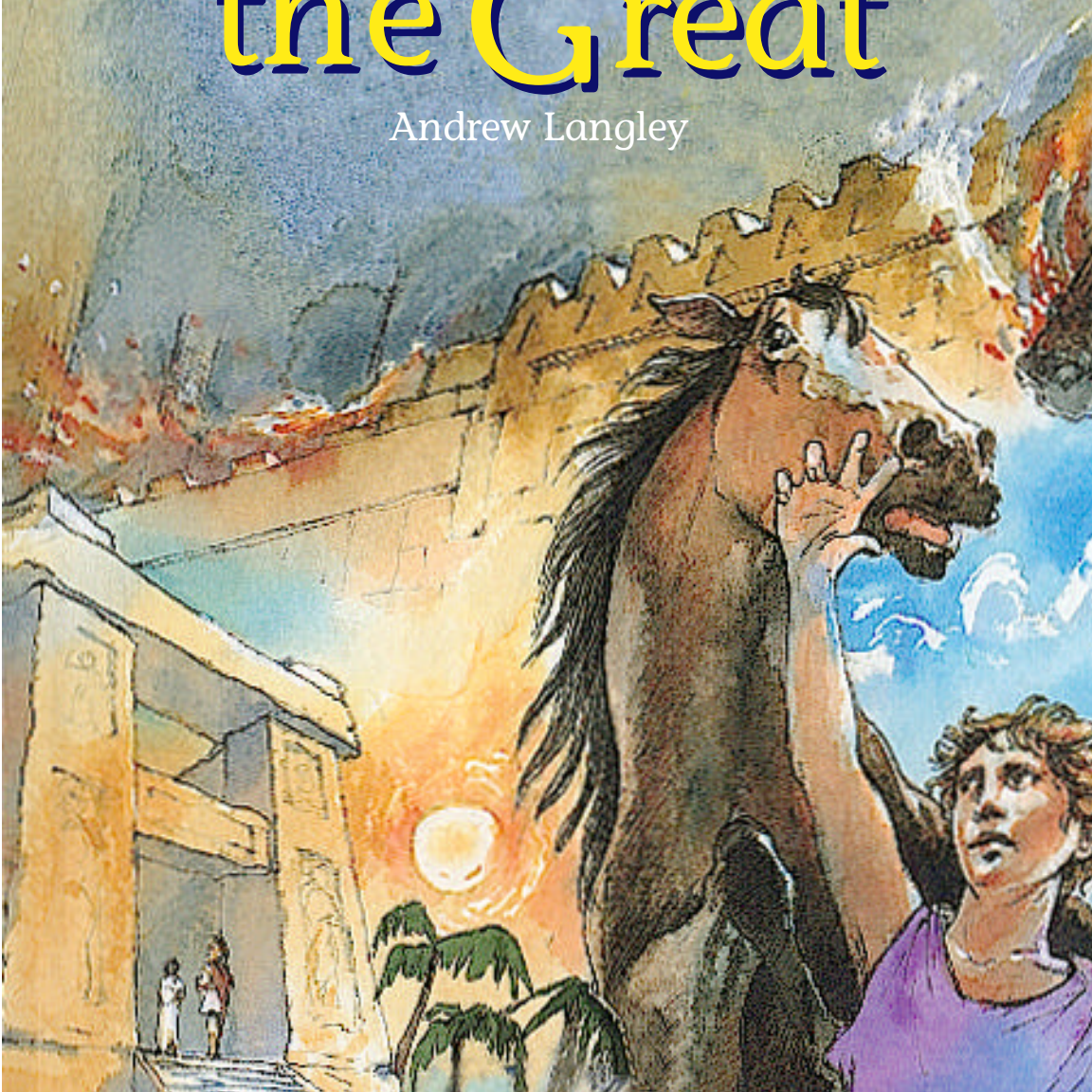


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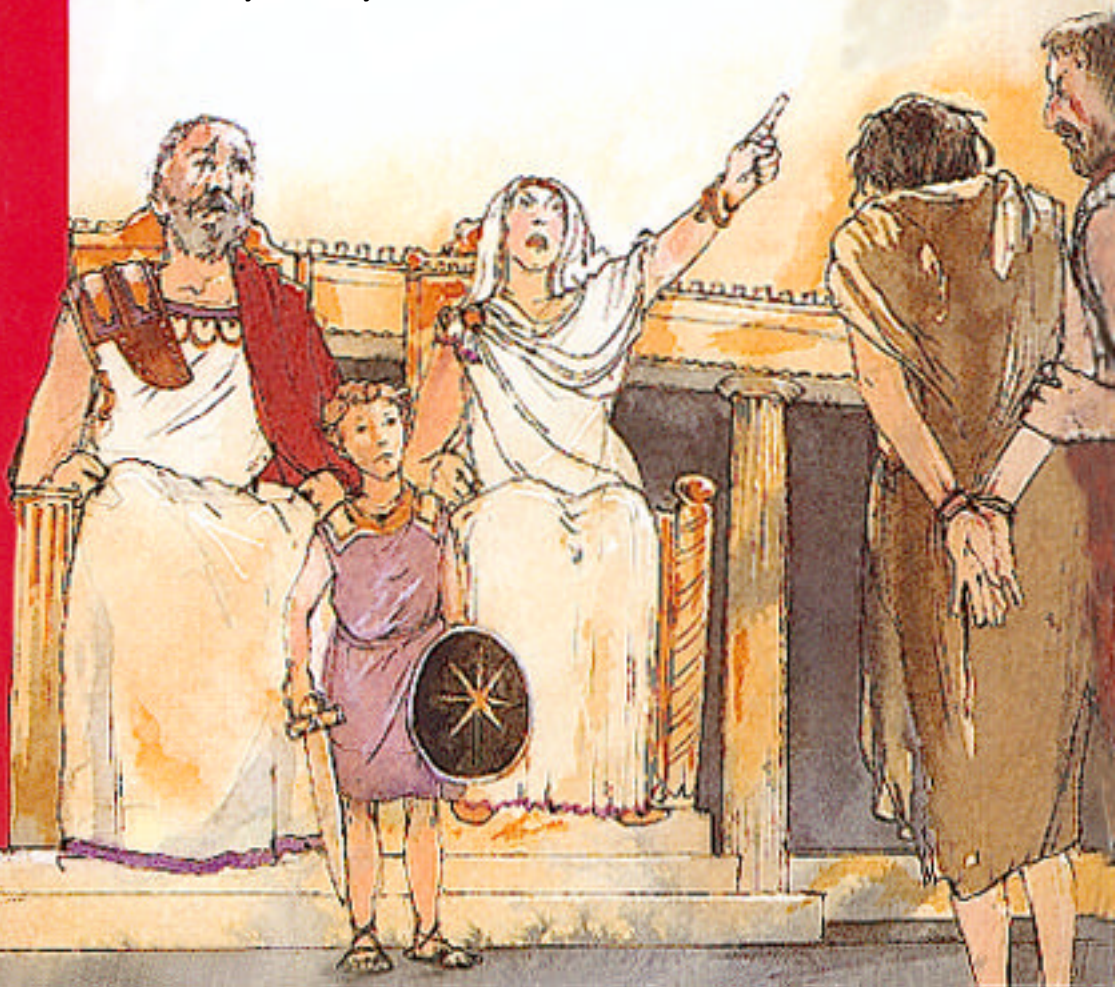


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Imagine ruling the whole world. That's what Alexander the Great set out to do, 2,300 years ago. He led his army from Greece to India and built the biggest empire ever seen.

Alexander was born in 356 B.C. in Macedonia, the most powerful state in Greece. His father, Philip, was the king. Philip had once been a handsome, dashing general, but now he was a battle-scarred old soldier, with a lame leg and only one eye.



Alexander's mother, Olympias, was tough as well. She had a fierce temper and was quick to have her rivals and enemies put to death. She was very fond of poisonous snakes. It was said that she even kept snakes in her bed!

With parents like these, it is no surprise that Alexander grew up to be brave and adventurous.

