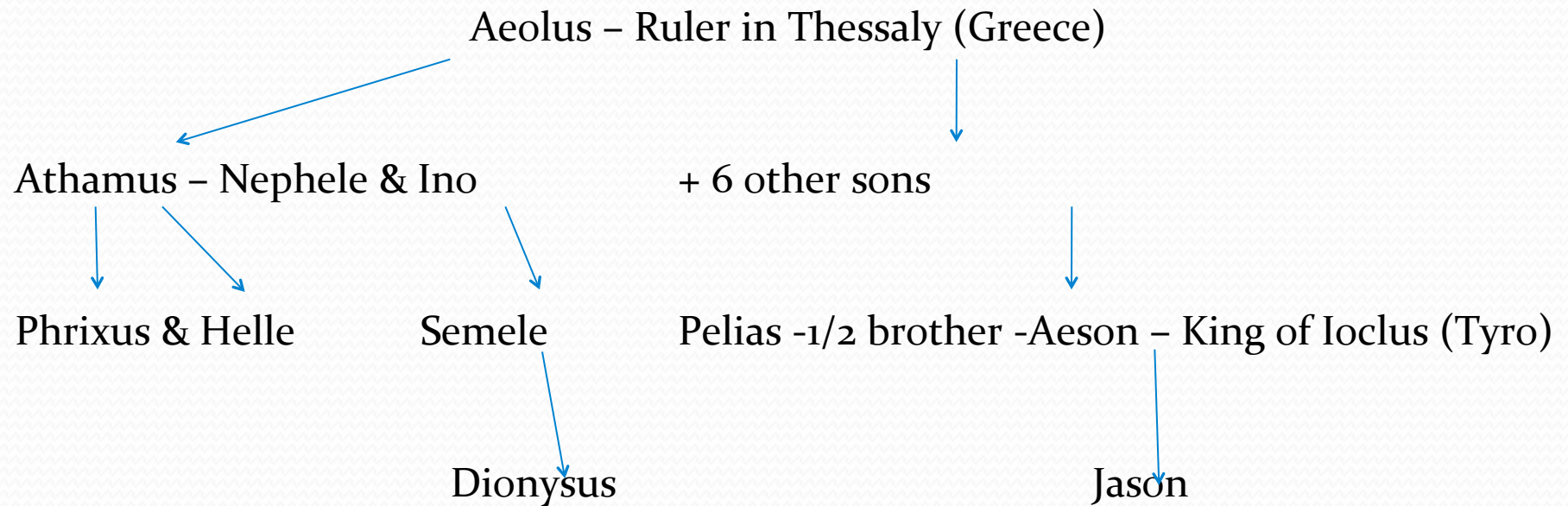


# Jason's Family Tree

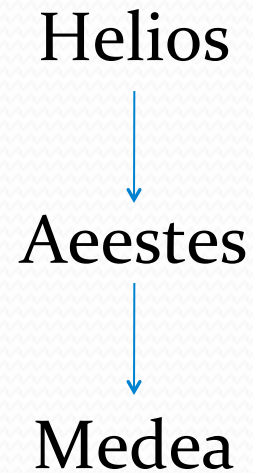


# 1st Flight to Colchis

- Ino tries to kill Phrixus and Helle. (Ino does later kill two of her sons)
- They fly to Colchis (on the eastern edge of the Black Sea - modern day Georgis) on the back of a golden ram.
- Helle falls off during the journey and dies.
- Phrixus sacrifices the ram and gives the fleece to Aeetes.
- Aeetes welcomes Phrixus and gives him the hand of his daughter in marriage (Medea's sister)
- Fleece is then safeguarded by a serpent that never sleeps.



# Medea's Family Tree



# The Quest

- Pelias has overthrown Aeson and killed all descendants of Aeson.
- Alcimede I (Jason's mother) saves him and takes him to the centaur Chiron for protection and education.
- An oracle reveals to Pelias that a man wearing one sandal is the rightful King and would return someday.
- Jason arrives one day wearing only one sandal. He lost it helping an old woman cross the river Anauros. (the goddess Hera in disguise) She blessed him.
- Pelias announces to Jason that he must fulfill a quest to take the throne. The quest is to find the golden fleece which Jason accepts.



# The Adventure

- Jason assembles a group of heroes, the argonauts, and sets sail for Colchis aboard their ship, Argo, made from magical wood.
- Perform many great deeds and find lots of trouble before reaching Colchis.

# The Fleece

- Jason must perform three impossible tasks to get the fleece from Aeetes.
- Aphrodite makes Medea fall madly in love with Jason.
- Medea helps Jason win the fleece.
- Jason has to plow a field with fire-breathing bulls.
- Sow dragon's teeth.
- Kill the fully armed warriors that sprout up from the dragon seed.
- Also has to slay the serpent guarding the fleece.

# The return

- Jason & Medea escape from Colchis with the fleece only after Medea delays her father's pursuit by chopping up her brother and dropping into the water piece by piece.
- Have many adventures before returning. Surviving mainly due to Medea's magic.
- Jason and Medea soon banished from Ioclus after Medea tricks the daughters of Pelius to cut him up and cook him to make him younger.
- They then settle in Corinth.
- They get married and have two sons.



# Medea

- Priestess of Hecate - magic, potions, drugs
- Killed brother to delay her father.
- Banished from Colchis.
- Tricks Pelias's daughters into chopping him up.
- Later marries Aegeus and has a son, Medus.
- Tries to kill Aegeus's son, Theseus to protect Medus.
- Flees back to Colchis and Medus fabled to have been a founder of the Medes of the Medes and Persians.
- Persians would later fight the Greeks.

- Characters of the play:
  - Nurse
  - Tutor
  - Medea
  - Chorus
  - Jason
  - Aegeus
  - Messenger
  - Children
  - Creon - king of Corinth (setting of play)
  - Glauke - daughter of Creon

# Your article

- Write a tabloid article about an event in Medea.
- We will present these in order.

- 1st article: Lines 0-100
  - Nurse & Tutor intro the play.
  - New wife
  - divorce
  - Medea exiled
  - What will happen to the children?
  - What will Medea do?

- 2nd Article: Lines 220-280 & 448-634
  - Put their fight into the mainstream media.
  - Present Jason's side.
  - Present Medea's side.

- 3rd Article: Lines 658-749
  - Appearance of King Aegeus.
  - Rumors that Medea might flee to Athens.
  - Their contract.
  - Medea's wedding gifts-what's this about?
  - Is this a ploy of Medea?



- 4th Article: Lines 1090-end
  - Princess dead.
  - King dead.
  - Children dead.
  - Jason ruined.
  - Medea escapes - flight on Helios's chariot.