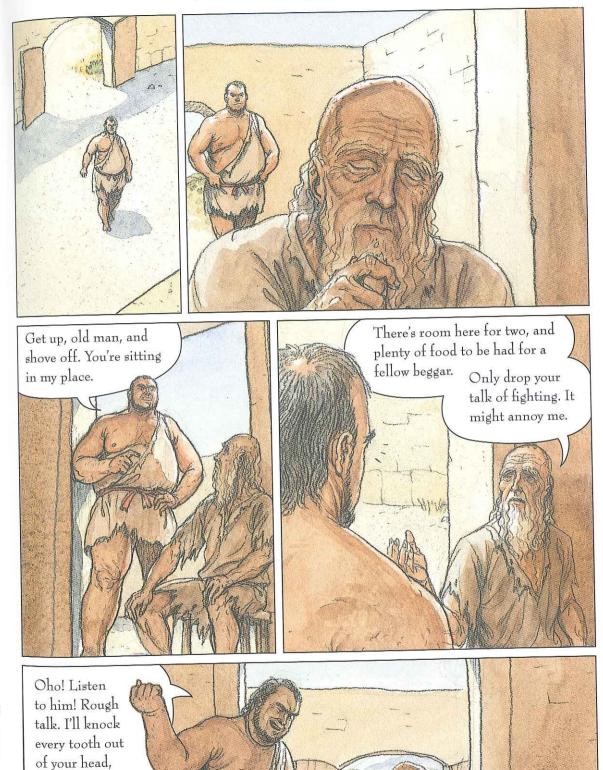
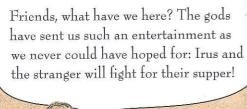
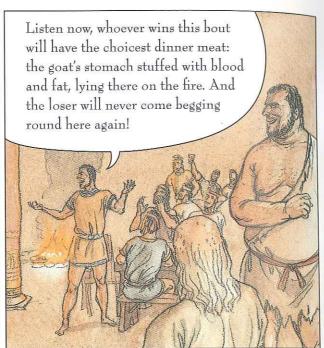
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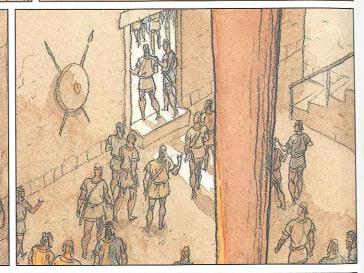
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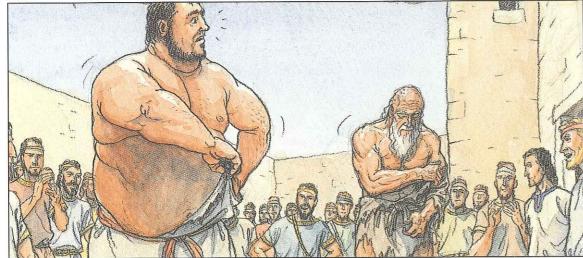


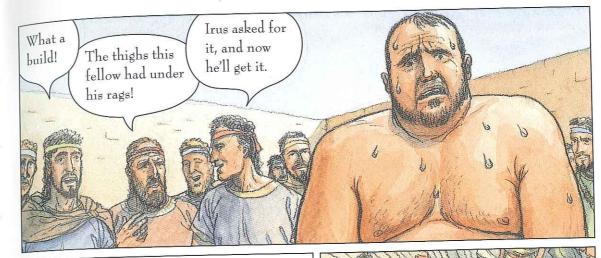




An old man has no business fighting a young buck, but my stomach drives me on. I'll do it; only let no one intervene to help either of us.







You spineless sack of guts! Afraid of an old man? Listen to me: if you let him beat you, I'll ship you off to King Echitus in Epirus. I hear he likes to skin men alive, after he rips out their guts to feed to his hunting dogs.

