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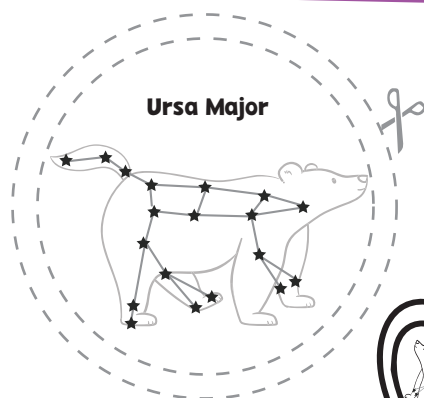
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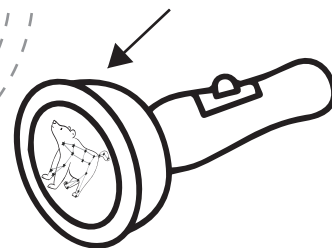


URSA MAJOR

Ursa Major is also known as The Great Bear. Ancient Greeks tell the story about a beautiful girl named Callisto who was turned into a bear by a mean goddess. A tracker tried to catch the bear, but the Greek God Zeus saved Callisto by placing her up in the night sky where she was safe.

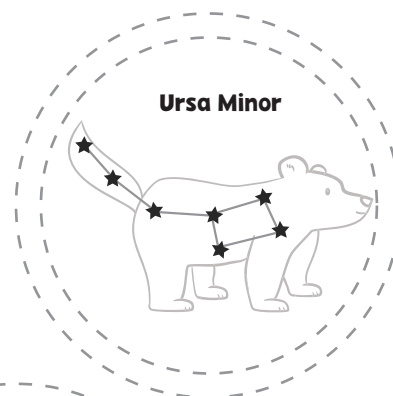


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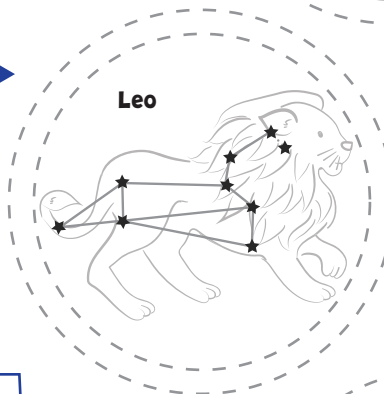
URSA MINOR

The story of Ursa Minor, or the Little Bear, comes from the Ancient Greeks. Arcas was a great hunter. One day while hunting in the woods, he came across a great bear. Little did he know that was actually his mother, Callisto, who was under a spell. Arcas was about to catch the great bear, but the Greek god Zeus, stopped him just in time and turned Arcas into a little bear so he could be with his mom. Zeus placed the two bears into the sky to keep them safe and protected.



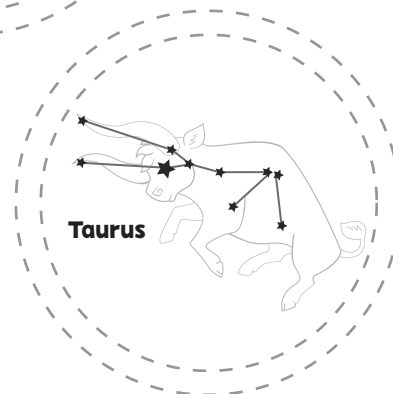
LEO THE LION

In Greek myths, Leo the Lion lived outside an ancient city called Nemea. For many years, Leo would scoop up people from Nemea and no one would stop him. One day, Hercules went to stop the lion and won. Everyone who the lion had caught was set free. Zeus made Leo a constellation in the night sky to remind people of the story of Hercules and Leo.



TAURUS THE BULL

The Ancient Greeks tell the story of a wild bull named Taurus who had a bad temper. One day he trampled a field of wild flowers and Persephone, the Goddess of Spring, got very sad. Taurus apologized and they soon became good friends. From then on, every spring, Persephone would ride on Taurus' back and the two of them would make the flowers bloom as they walked by.



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