

## ALEXANDER THE GREAT

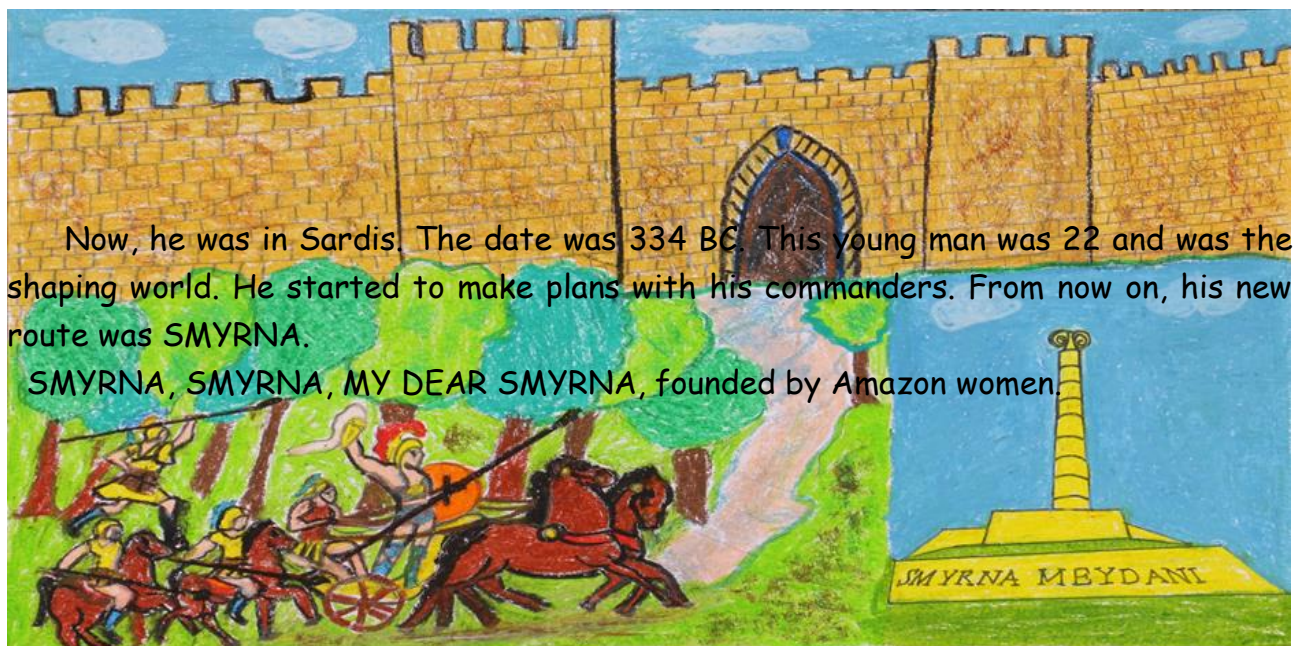
### The First Episode-Before the Entrance of Smyrna

Alexander was born on July 20, 356 BC. And his father was KING PHILIP II of MACEDON. This child would rule the territories from Macedonia to India and shape the world's cultural make-up. When he was 13, Greek philosopher Aristotle tutored him. After his father's murder, he ascended on Macedonian throne. And he spread Greek culture from Aegean Sea to Indus valley, from Libyan Desert to the Caspian Sea. His contemporaries were stunned by the speed of his conquests and he became a hero of many legends afterwards. Of course, this child was Alexander the Great



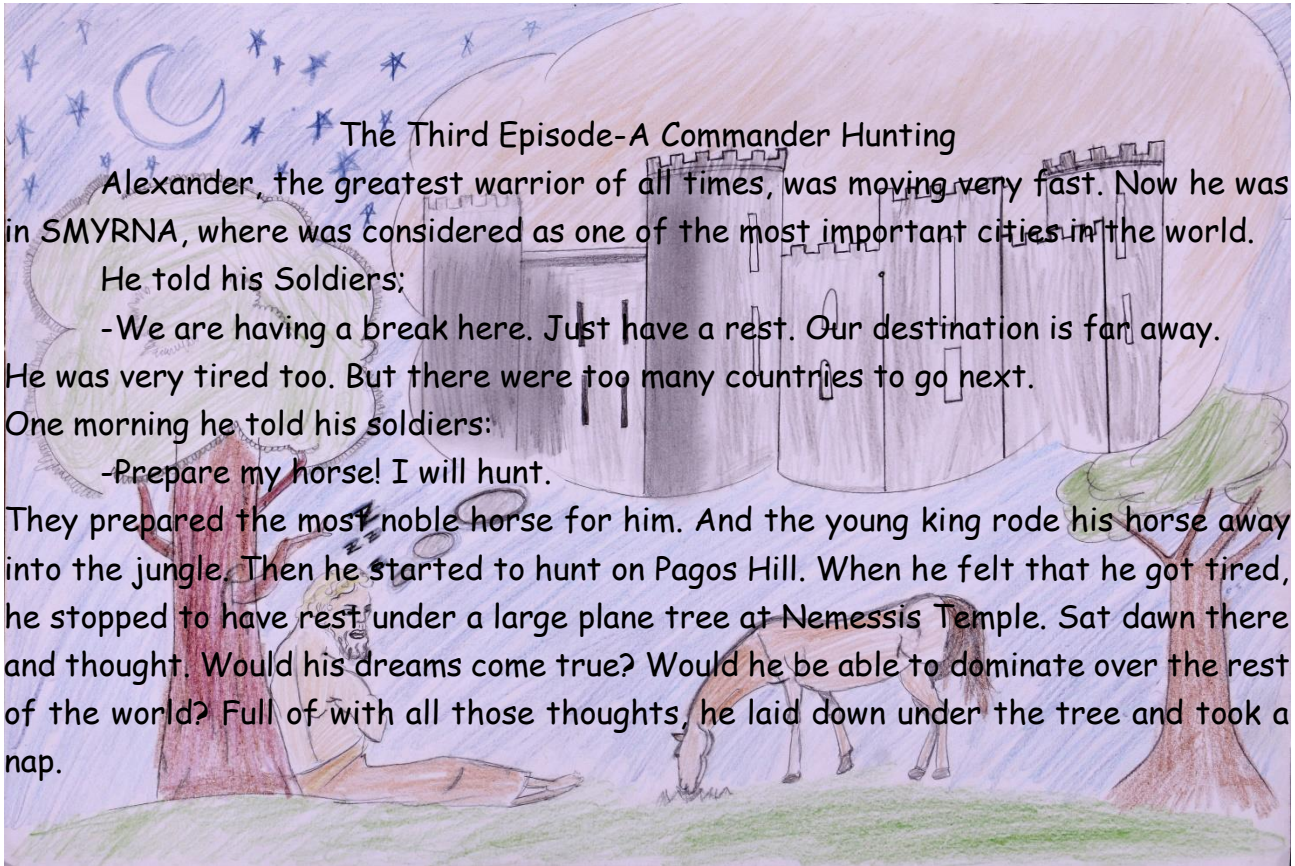
### The Second Episode-His way to Smyrna

Two years after ascending on throne, Alexander entered Anatolia with his soldiers. Firstly, with great inspiration from Homer, he came to Troy and put a wreath at the tomb of Achille. Young Alexander was really inspired by Homer and changed his route to the Eastern Mediterranean from now on. He moved forward, forward, and forward...



Now, he was in Sardis. The date was 334 BC. This young man was 22 and was the shaping world. He started to make plans with his commanders. From now on, his new route was SMYRNA.

SMYRNA, SMYRNA, MY DEAR SMYRNA, founded by Amazon women.



### The Third Episode-A Commander Hunting

Alexander, the greatest warrior of all times, was moving very fast. Now he was in SMYRNA, where was considered as one of the most important cities in the world.

He told his Soldiers;

-We are having a break here. Just have a rest. Our destination is far away.

He was very tired too. But there were too many countries to go next.

One morning he told his soldiers:

-Prepare my horse! I will hunt.

They prepared the most noble horse for him. And the young king rode his horse away into the jungle. Then he started to hunt on Pagos Hill. When he felt that he got tired, he stopped to have rest under a large plane tree at Nemesis Temple. Sat down there and thought. Would his dreams come true? Would he be able to dominate over the rest of the world? Full of with all those thoughts, he laid down under the tree and took a nap.

### The Fourth Episode-Smyrna in Dreams



He had never slept in comfort like that for a long time. He was in battlefields for days. The Smyrna city had always given people a comfort but this time it was different. The two Nemesis was coming towards him. Suddenly, he woke up and they got very close to him.

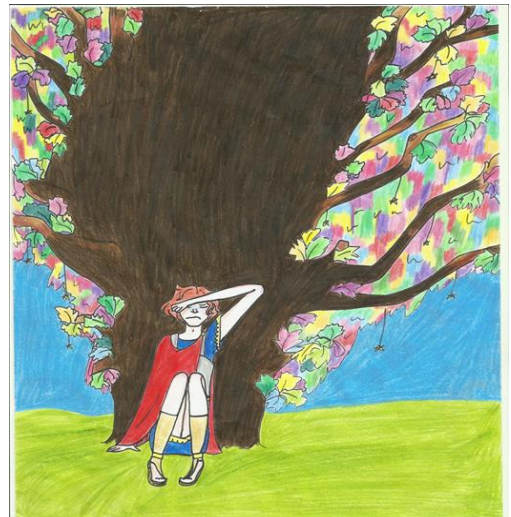
-Alexander the Great, it is time to establish a new city and do it on

the skirts of the land you were sleeping. After that, Nemesis went away and disappeared.

When he opened his eyes, he was all sweaty. Of course, he was aware that he had a dream but he did not make any sense of it. He got up and thought that his dream should make sense. He told his soldiers around him.

-Pack all your stuff. Our way is to Klaros. I must talk to the oracle!

-Yes sir!



They rode their horses and they galloped to Klaros (Ahmetbeyli) to see Apollon oracle.

### The Fifth Episode-Meeting Oracle

They arrived at Klaros in haste. The news was delivered to the oracle. They started to wait. Did his dreams make any sense? He thought in fear. Or else would he be told to stop his conquests?

The time would never pass. He moved forward on the ways of Klaros to meet the oracle. And he started to tell everything in detail. And then he stopped. When the silence in the room made them bored, the oracle talked in short and to the point. Establish a new city at the top of Pagos beyond Sacred Meles River. Settlers in Smyrna will be happier than ever.

-Then, where will I establish the city?

Get up in the morning and establish a new city at the level of your horse's head. He got out of there immediately and got back their stopover destination again. Later on, he fell asleep in comfort because he knew that he would go on his conquests.

### The Sixth Episode-Reestablishment of Smyrna

As soon as he got up, Alexander the great rode on his horse and galloped. His horse stood up there at the Gulf of Smyrna at Pagos.

Then, the king told his commanders:

- You, commander Antigonos and Lysimakhos, you will establish the city, just here!"

They answered in enthusiasm

- "Yes, Sir"

Antigones started to build structures, and Lysimakhos was the one who finished with the city. A temple in the name of Nemesis was built at Kadifekale. So, second city Smyrna was being founded after the settlement in Smyrna.

### The Seventh Episode-A King Passed in İzmir

Alexander the great rode on his horse to go on his conquest, and left the beautiful city Smyrna. After a while, he looked at the city again and thought that the oracle was right and the happiness was there. After that, he vanished.

What happened to the settlers in İzmir?

They have all been very happy throughout the history and still they are...

