

# Herodotus, the historian - his problems, method and originality

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A good example is the use of both direct and indirect speech in reporting the



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supposed words of characters.

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As in epic, war and the causes of war and the clashes of cultures at war would be the essential subject matter of history.

**Why Is Herodotus Called Both the Father of History and the Father of Lies?**

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The analysis is summed up in these words: Briefly stated the critique of the Herodotean story goes to show that the account of the Scythian campaign consists of a mixture of physical impossibilities, inconsistencies or inconsequences and of absurdities attributed to Darius and to the Scythians, which render the whole affair doubtful to the highest degree.

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Stock characteristics of the tyrant such as those described in the speech of Otanes are underlined in three of the four tyrants of Samos: Polycrates, Maeandrius, and Lycaretus. The king's unchecked power also leads him to perform acts harmful to his fellow human beings and contrary to

custom

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That means the so-called Persian Wars, not Greek Wars, since Western society, the claimant Introduction 3 heir to the intellectual patrimony of Hellenism, has invariably looked at these events from the Greek standpoint.

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Waters for seeking to prove that Herodotus knew 53 Ibid. Early travels As Herodotus himself reveals, Halicarnassus, though a Dorian city, had ended its close relations with its Dorian neighbours after an unseemly quarrel I, 144 , and it had helped pioneer Greek trade with Egypt II, 178. After Alexander the Great's conquests opened up the East, countries such as Egypt and Persia were suddenly much better known.

### Herodotus

Kenyon, Books and Readers in Ancient Greece and Rome 1932 provides good basic information on such matters. It is clearly impracticable to examine every one of the major digressions, long and short, down to 'one-liners' ,9 which overall total at least 200. So, it's likely that Herodotus didn't make up the story but merely mistranslated the animal in question.

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