

The Ceryneian Hind

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Verse 1

The hind was the fastest beast you can imagine,
It ran for a year before it started flagging,
So Hercules managed to catch up and grabbing a back leg he took it away.
To stop it escaping again around its neck,
He put on a collar and chain so in effect,
He made it incredibly clear he would not accept any more running away.

Verse 2

He went back in order to show he'd completed
The third task and so far had not been defeated,
Insisted that it was Eurytheus who greeted him when he came back from away.
The king was upset that Herc managed to snare it,
But Herc had a trick and he hardly could bear it,
He let go the chain and said "Here you go, there it is" but the hind hurried away.

Verse 3

The king was annoyed saying that didn't count as done,
Hercules said "It was your fault, you let it run!"
No one could argue so Hercules had his fun, laughing he wandered away.
Knowing that he'd won the day.

