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Select Greek Gods		
Zeus	King of the Gods, God of the Sky, Lightning	
	and Thunder.	
Hades	God the Dead and King of the Underworld.	
Poseidon	God of the Sea, Earthquakes and Storms.	
Hera	Queen of the Gods; Goddess of Marriage.	
Apollo	God of Music, Art, Knowledge and the Sun.	
Aphrodite	Goddess of Love and Beauty.	
Hermes	Messenger of the Gods, God of Trade and	
	Travelers.	
Ares	God of War.	
Athena	Goddess of Wisdom, Courage and Strategy.	
Demeter	Goddess of Agriculture and the Harvest.	





Key People	
Sophocles	Influential playwright known for writing over 120 plays, mainly tragedies. Most famous
	plays include: Oedipus & Antigone.
Aesop	Former slave and storyteller famous for writing Aesop's Fables.
Homer	Legendary author famous for writing the Iliad & Odyssey.
Pythagoras	Philosopher & mathematician most known for his right angle proof.
Archimedes	Scientist & mathematician; famous for reportedly yelling 'Eureka!' after realizing the link
	between volume, density & displacement.
Socrates	Credited as the Father of Western philosophy. Known for dialogues over writing.
Plato	Philosopher and student of Socrates; best known for writing 'Republic'.
Aristotle	Philosopher and student of Plato; pulled together existing philosophies resulting in his
	ideas influencing Western civilization for centuries to come.
Alexander the	King of the ancient Greek kingdom of Macedonia; united and secured the whole of
Great	Greece and fought against the Persian Empire to the East. Died aged 32.

Term	Definition
Acropolis	Fortified city core located on a rocky outcrop above Athens.
Polytheistic	Religious system where people believe in or worship more than one god.
Democracy	A system of government where eligible people elect representatives.
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Parthenon	Temple dedicated to Athena located on the Athenian Acropolis.
Titans	An older generation of Gods including Cronus & Rhea who were the children of earlier Gods and parents to the Olympian Gods (who later overthrew them).
City State	A city that had its own government and rules the area around it e.g. Athens, Sparta, Corinth, Delphi & Thebes (Greek = Polis)
Olympics	Sporting event and sacrifice held every four years in honour of Zeus.