

# Gods and Goddesses of Greece



# Why did the Greeks worship Gods and Goddesses?

- Religion was important to the ancient Greeks because they believed that it would make their lives better while they were living.
- They also believed the gods would take care of them when they died.
- The Ancient Greeks believed in many different gods and goddesses.
- These gods and goddesses helped the Greeks explain the unexplainable.
- The Greeks honored their gods and goddesses by holding religious festivals.

# Open Ended Question

**How many Greek Gods and Goddesses can you name?**



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# 1. Zeus

- ZEUS
- (Roman Name: Jupiter)
- Supreme Ruler of the Gods
- His weapon was the mighty THUNDERBOLT
- He falls in love frequently



# 2.Hera

- HERA (Roman Name: Juno)
- Zeus' Wife and Sister  
Protector of Marriage and Married Women
- Very Jealous at Times



# 3.Hades



- HADES (Roman Name: Pluto)
- Lord of the Underworld  
Ruler of the Dead

# 4. Poseidon



- POSEIDON (Roman Name: Neptune)
- Ruler of the Seas and Oceans

# 5. Demeter



- DEMETER (Roman Name: Ceres)
- Goddess of Corn and Agriculture
- Her Moods Affect the Seasons

# 6. Aphrodite



- APHRODITE (Roman Name: Venus)
- Goddess of Love and Beauty
- Wife of Hephaestus

# 7.Hestia



- HESTIA (Roman Name: Vesta)
- Goddess of the Home

# 8. Ares



- ARES
- (Roman Name: Mars)
- God of War
- None of the Other Gods Like Him Much

# 9. Athena



- ATHENA (Roman Name: Minerva)
- Battle Maiden and Goddess of Wisdom
- While Adopted by Hera, She is the Daughter of Zeus Only

# 10. HEPHAESTUS



- HEPHAESTUS (Roman Name: Vulcan)
- God of Fire and the Forge  
He is the Only Ugly God  
Husband of Aphrodite

# 11. Apollo



- APOLLO (Roman Name: Apollo)
- Twin Brother of Artemis
- God of Music and Poetry  
God of Light and Truth
- No False Words (Never Told a Lie)

# 12.Hermes



- HERMES
- (Roman Name: Mercury)
- Messenger of the Gods
- Has Wings on Sandals and Cap
- Appears the Most Often of All the Gods

The Gods need your help.

Can you help them.....get a job??