

Selected Ancient Greek Gods		
1	Zeus	Kind of the Gods, God of the Sky, Lightning and Thunder.
2	Hades	God the Dead and King of the Underworld
3	Poseidon	God of the Sea, Earthquakes & Storms.
4	Hera	Queen of the Gods; Goddess of Marriage.
5	Apollo	God of Music, Art, Knowledge & the Sun.
6	Aphrodite	Goddess of Love and Beauty.
7	Hermes	Messenger of the Gods, God of Trade & Travelers.
8	Ares	God of War.
9	Athena	Goddess of Wisdom, Courage and Strategy.
10	Demeter	Goddess of Agriculture and the Harvest.

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

Approximate dates for the main Ancient Greek periods and key events: (Ancient Greek civilizations can be traced back to the Minoan civilization around 2700 BCE)

Timeline not to scale.



Term	Definition
1 Acropolis	Fortified city core located on a rocky outcrop above Athens.
2 Polytheistic	Religious system where people believe in or worship more than one god.
3 Democracy	A system of government where eligible people elect representatives.
4 Oligarchy	A system of government where a small group of people control everything.
5 Mount Olympus	The highest mountain in Greece and the mythological home of the Greek Gods, primarily twelve Olympian Gods.
6 Parthenon	Temple dedicated to Athena located on the Athenian Acropolis.
7 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).
8 City State	A city that had its own government and rules the area around it e.g. Athens, Sparta, Corinth, Delphi & Thebes (Greek = Polis)
9 Olympics	Sporting event and sacrifice held every four years in honour of Zeus.

