

The background of the slide is a photograph of an ancient Greek landscape. In the foreground, there is a lush green field. In the middle ground, several stone ruins are visible, including a large, partially collapsed structure on the left and several standing columns on the right. In the background, there are rolling green hills and a large, prominent mountain peak under a bright blue sky with scattered white clouds. A semi-transparent white rectangular box with a thin green border is centered over the image, containing the title and author information. Two dark brown horizontal bars are positioned on either side of the box, partially overlapping its edges.

# Ancient Greece

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# The Olympics

- It was 776 B.C.E when the first Olympic Games took place. This was over THREE THOUSAND YEARS AGO!!
- When the Olympics first started it was only short races to help the men get fit for war
- The men didn't wear clothes during the Olympic races! I don't think we could do that now!
- There could only be one winner and he won a special wreath of olive leaves from a tree behind the temple dedicated to Zeus
- The winner also had a statute built for him
- These races happened every 4 years
- Married women could not even attend the races.
- There was a separate women's festival called Heraia dedicated to Hera, the wife of Zeus.

# Greek Mythology

The Greeks had lots of Gods and many stories about them

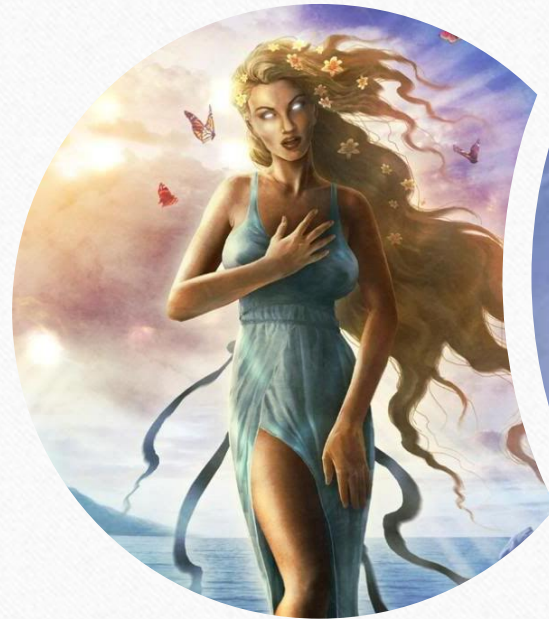
The Titans were the Greek gods that ruled the world before the Olympians. They were overthrown by their children including Zeus

The twelve Olympian Gods were next, these were the major gods of the Greeks and lived on Mount Olympus.

Zeus was the king of the Greek Gods, his most famous power is that he was able to throw lightning bolts.

Hera was the wife of Zeus, people prayed to her for protection during childbirth, for good health, and help them with their marriages.

Aphrodite is the Greek goddess of love and beauty. She had a belt that could cause others to fall in love with the person that was wearing it.



# Fun Facts!

Greeks believed that when building the key to making great things was through using maths.

The first two letters of the Greek alphabet 'alpha and beta' have given us the word 'alphabet'. The Greeks helped us a lot in the development of the alphabet.

The Greeks loved plays, there was many theatres some of them could even hold 18,000 guests!

Plays were either spoken or sung in rhyme and all the actors were men.



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This is a Greek Theatre