

Please listen to and briefly note the names and main role played by individuals in the story. This story will suffice for the Greeks and the Romans.

<https://classictales.co.uk/metamorphoses/creation-1-very-beginning>

Next we need to understand the foundation myth of the Romans.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=heZoGPlncDk>

Civilisations are influenced by their geography and although simplistic the following videos give a sense of how the geography affected Greek and Roman culture. Try to remember some of the key details.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OuCpaJaBwf4>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UAejBiAR03U>

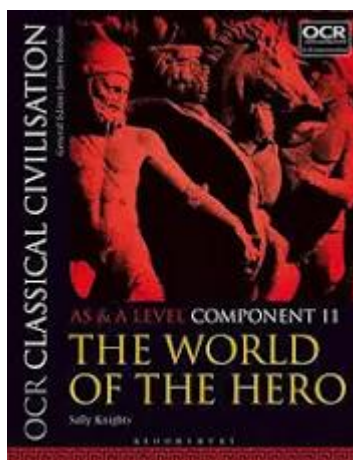
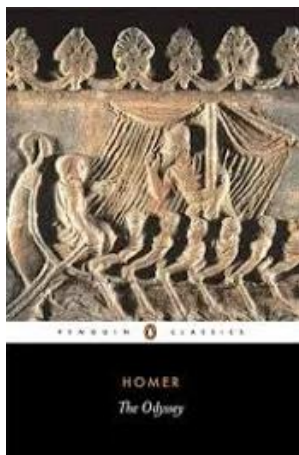
Now the timescale of what we study is quite broad and before you join us, we'd like you to have an idea of some of the key events during that period and here is a link to a good explanation of the time period for the Greeks:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I114S4KiOn8>

And the Romans: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RI-1snoSWpo> although we only go as far the assassination of Julius Caesar and its immediate aftermath.

Texts

We are going to be studying the Odyssey in Year 12 and we would like you to buy the Penguin version of the text so that you can annotate it as you see fit. I would recommend buying a plastic cover for it as well. The isbn number is 9780140449116. It may be possible to get a cheap second-hand copy online. The other purchase I would advise is the OCR companion guide called The World of the Hero isbn 9781350015074.



The second module in year 12 is Greek Art, more about that when you are with us...

First task: when you join there will be the usual introductions, instructions and formalities but as part of your introduction we would like you to find the names of ten historical Greeks and ten historical Romans (not mythological ones) and then to prepare two one-minute presentations on any two of your choice. You will only present one but we ask for two in case someone has also done one that you were going to do, so you have a back-up. It may help to look at less famous characters!

We appreciate that presentations can be daunting but over the two years you will do quite a few and everyone is in the same boat and the audience is always sympathetic!

Looking forward to meeting you.

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