

# History – Spring 2 – Persia and Greece



Year 4

## Key vocabulary

<b>Persian Empire</b>	An empire established by King Cyrus. It stretched from Europe to the Indus River.
<b>Babylon</b>	A beautiful and important city in Mesopotamia located in modern day Iraq
<b>King Cyrus</b>	First ruler of the Persian Empire
<b>King Darius</b>	Son of King Cyrus who became the ruler of the Persian Empire
<b>Satrap</b>	An ally of King Darius who was put in charge of a satrapy. Responsible for collecting taxes, enforcing law and keeping peace
<b>agora</b>	Large market place in the middle of each Greek city-state
<b>Polis</b>	Greek word for a city-state. Examples include Athens and Sparta
<b>Zeus</b>	King of all the Greek gods. Often seen holding a lightning bolt.
<b>Iliad</b>	Greek story written by Homer about the fall of Troy
<b>acropolis</b>	Citadel or building built on a high hill

A carving showing a number of Greek gods



A Greek vase showing the story of the Iliad



The Gate of Ishtar, only to be used by the king



Map to show the key Greek polis (city-state)



Persian Empire under King Darius (490 BC)

