

ZEUS

Greek name Ζεύς

Latin name Iupiter

Name in your language

Parents Cronus and Rhea

Role King of the gods

Home Mount Olympus

Attributes thunderbolt, oak

Pets eagle

Zeus was the god of the sky, thunder, air, and the king of all gods. In mythical times, the Olympian gods defeated the Titans, who were very ancient gods themselves, in a memorable war. After this war, called Titanomachy, the rule over the world was shared by Cronus and Rhea's three sons: Zeus, Poseidon, and Hades. The three brothers rolled the dice and received their kingdoms by lot: the sky and air went to Zeus; Poseidon became lord of the sea; Hades ruled the Underworld. Zeus based his new reign on Mount Olympus. He filled the place with his own siblings, daughters, and sons. Together they were the Twelve Supreme Olympian Gods. Zeus' favourite pet was his eagle. The eagle, a fast and majestic bird, just like its master, appeared in Zeus' depictions along with a stylized thunderbolt. In fact, sometimes the eagle darting across the sky was believed to be Zeus himself, throwing his thunderbolts all over the Earth...

