Teaching notes on 2.05a Greek gods

Slide 1

Learning objective: LO: To learn about some major Greek gods and to make a Greek gods card game

Mouse-click on this slide will also make Iucundus say 'salvete!' ('sal-way-tay') to the class. This means 'hello!' The pupils can reply by saying 'salve!' ('sal-way'). 'Salve' is the greeting used to one person and 'salvete' is a greeting to more than one.

Slides 2-11

🤓💬 This culture-themed lesson opens up with a quiz to see how much the class knows about Greek gods and goddesses. Pupils can work individually, in pairs or in teams. In each instance, the students are given:

[mouse click] A picture of the god(dess)

[mouse click] the special power or domain of the god(dess)

[mouse click] the symbol(s) of the god(dess)

After their guesses are made (on whiteboards or verbally)…

[mouse click] …the answer is revealed and is followed by

[mouse click] what the Romans called their version of this god or goddess.

Note on **slide 9** and **slide 10** how the symbol for Aphrodite (the hand mirror) becomes the universal symbol for female and the spear-and-shield symbol for Ares becomes the universal symbol for male. We still use these symbols today.

Slides 12-13

✂️ A visual walk-through of this lesson's activity. Working individually or in pairs, pupils are given a set of cards to illustrate. Half the cards need to be illustrated with pictures of gods and goddesses, and the other half need pictures of their symbols. Once these are illustrated, backed with card and cut out, they can be placed face down to play a memory game, where the aim is to choose a corresponding god/symbol pair.

Slide 14

The plenary which takes the form of a set of questions:

Question 1 Which bird is Athena's symbol? [the owl]

Question 2 Name two things that Apollo is in charge of. [the sun/music/medicine]

Question 3 Which god rules the Underworld? [Hades/Pluto]

On mouse-click, Iucundus then says, 'valete!' ('wa-lay-tay'), which means 'goodbye!' The pupils can reply 'vale!' Just like with 'hello', the greeting changes depending on how whether the speaker is addressing one or many people.