



# Match Up the Gods Pairs Game

I can tell you the names of some of the main Roman gods and write about what they represented to the Roman people.



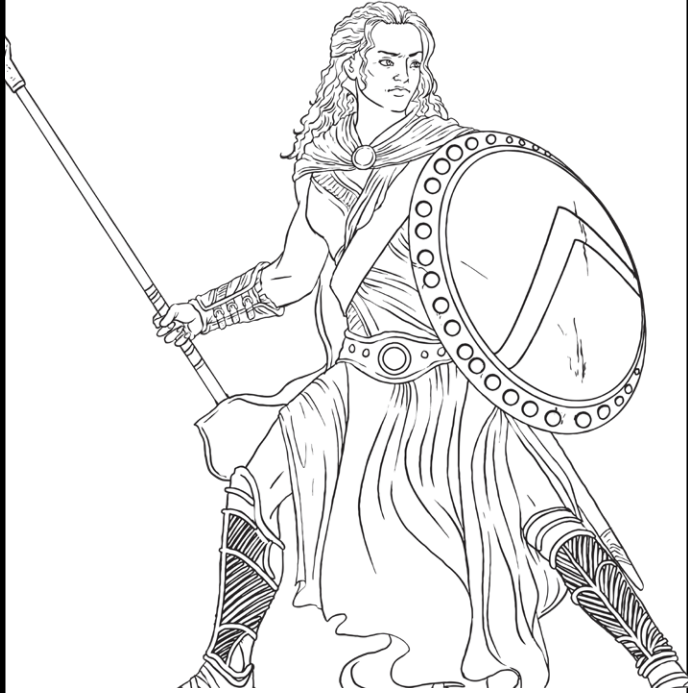
## How to Play

Play with a partner. Lay all of the cards face down on the table in a random pattern. Take it in turns to turn over two cards. Read the fact on the card out loud. If the facts are about the same god or goddess, you can keep the matching set and take another turn. If the cards do not match, put them back down and try to remember where they are. It is then the next player's turn.

The winner is the player who collected the most matching pairs.



# Minerva



Minerva was the goddess of wisdom and women's work.

# Minerva



Minerva was born without a mother. Mythology says that she sprang out of her father, Jupiter's, brain!

# Mercury



Mercury was the messenger god as he was very fast and intelligent.

# Mercury



Mercury had a winged hat and sandals so that he could fly.

# Apollo



Apollo was the god of the sun and the god of music.

# Apollo



Apollo drove his chariot across the sky each day, pulling the sun along to light up the sky.

# Cupid



Cupid was the god of love.

# Cupid



Cupid could shoot someone with his bow and arrow and make them fall in love with the next person they saw.

# Diana



Diana was the goddess of the moon and the goddess of hunting.

# Diana



Diana could talk to and control wild animals.

# Venus



Venus was the goddess of love and beauty.

# Venus



Venus represents water. Mythology claims she was born out of sea foam.



# Mars



Mars' sacred animals were the wolf and the woodpecker.

# Mars



Mars liked fighting and bloodshed and started many wars.

# Pluto



Pluto was the god of the underworld

# Pluto



Pluto had a three-headed dog called Cerberus and he also had a golden chariot.

# Saturn



Saturn was the god of time and the first king of the gods.

# Saturn



Saturn carried a single scythe for a weapon.

# Jupiter



Jupiter was the god of the heavens.

# Jupiter



Jupiter rode a winged horse called Pegasus who carried the thunderbolts that Jupiter used as weapons.

# Juno



Juno was the queen of the gods who was married to Jupiter.

# Juno



There was a festival on 1<sup>st</sup> March every year to honour Juno.

# Neptune



Neptune was the god of the sea who rode on a dolphin.

# Neptune



Neptune's weapon was a trident which had three prongs.