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# Animating Ancient Greek Gods



This vase was made in Athens in around 375BCE. It depicts a scene in which the goddess **Nike** is taking part in a festival procession.

The **Great Panathenaic Festival** was held every four years at Athens in honour of the goddess Athena. For days there would be competitions, singing, and a procession including men, women, boys and girls of the city, and resident foreigners and allies. A new robe would be carried to the statue of Athena and animals would be led to sacrifice. Sacrifices would be followed by huge feasts that everyone could enjoy.

Panoply have made animations from this vase scene called *The Procession* and *Bad Karma*.

You can plan an animation by creating a storyboard.

- **Answer the questions on the next page to set the scene.**
- **Plan a story based on what would happen if the figures on the vase could move.**
- **Then draw it up in a storyboard.**

[www.panoply.org.uk/nike.html](http://www.panoply.org.uk/nike.html)

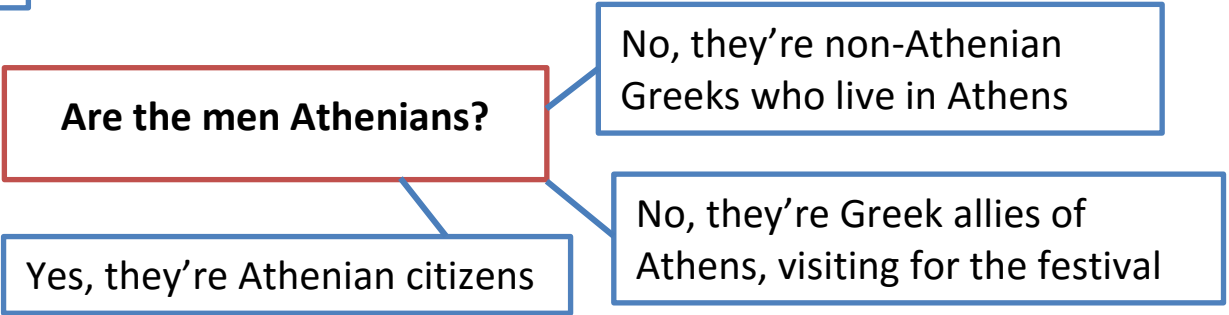
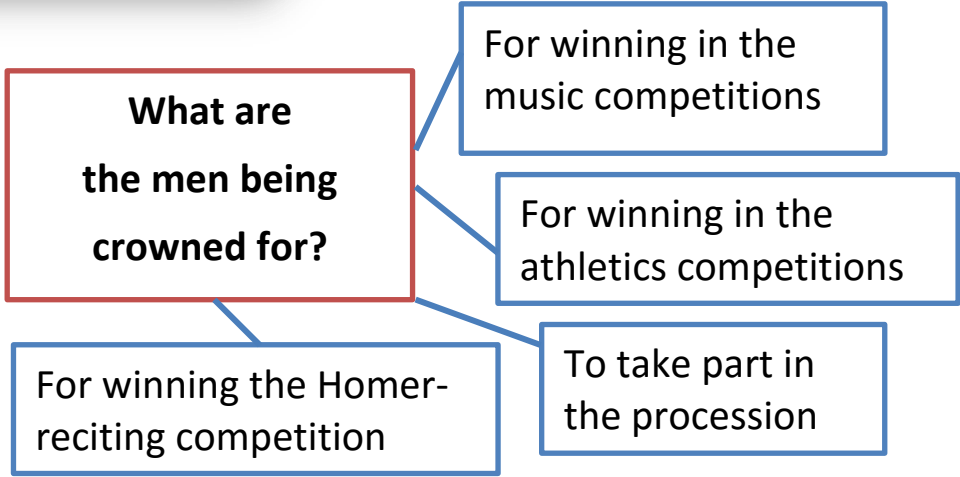
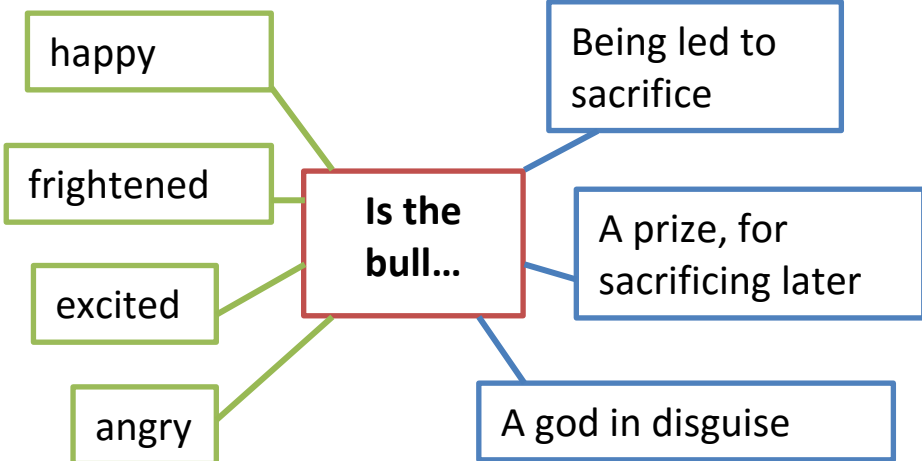
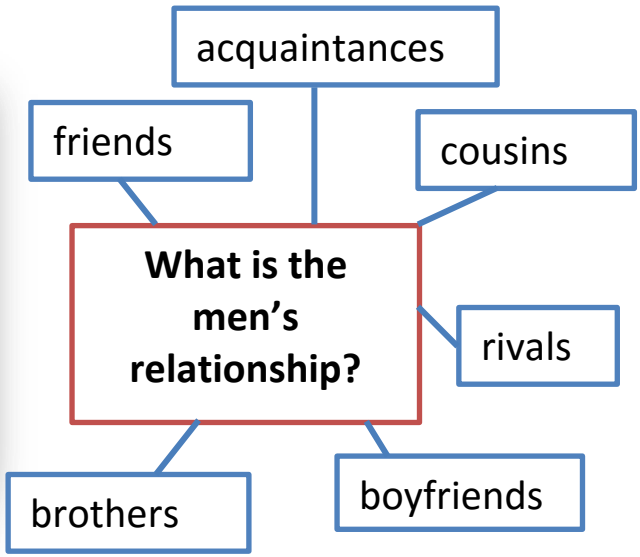


another festival

**Where has Nike come from to be at this festival?**

Mount Olympus

Athena's temple, The Parthenon



**Answer these questions then plan a story for the characters**

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This is a blank storyboard. Storyboards are used in making animations and films to plan what will happen and how the scenes will look.  
**Draw-up your festival story in here. Put a key moment in each box with a description of what's happening underneath.**