Jupiter was the father or king of all the gods. The Romans knew him as lots of names but the most important was Jupiter Best and Greatest. In Latin this is *Iuppiter Optimus Maximus* which is why you see dedications on altars start I O M.

He was god of the sky and was also known as 'light-bringer'. Often pictured carrying lightning bolts which he would use to punish anyone who displeased him. Although he would normally only use this severest of punishments with the consent of the other gods. His other symbols were the eagle and the oak tree.

Use the Roman Numeral colour key to colour in the picture of Jupiter. If you don’t have all of the colours we have used it doesn’t matter, just make a new key so you can remember which number relates to which numeral. Don’t forget to colour in Jupiter’s eyes and the eagle’s features as well.
Paint by Numerals

Jupiter - Complete

Jupiter Challenges:

- Grab a bed sheet and create your own toga. Recreate lightning bolts. Be a fair ruler of the gods and the people of earth for the day.
- Heading out for a walk see if you can spot an oak tree or take a rubbing of a leaf.
- Thunderstorm coming see if you can spot any lightning - The Romans would have thought Jupiter was displeased with something when lightning happened. Imagine not knowing it was the weather, how frightening would that be! Learn more about what causes thunder and lightning.