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## **Artisan**

A craftsman; a skilled manual worker

## **Divine**

Having the nature of or being a deity

## **Humanoid**

Having human characteristics or form.

## **Mesopotamia**

An ancient region of southwest Asia between the Tigris and Euphrates rivers in modern-day Iraq. Probably settled before 5000 BCE, the area was the home of numerous early civilizations, including Sumer, Akkad, Babylonia and Assyria.

## **Propaganda**

Systematically distributed material that advocates a point of view or information reflecting the views and interests of those people advocating such a point of view; typically used in referring to works with particularly political purposes.

## **Renaissance**

A revival or rebirth of cultural awareness and learning that took place during the 14th and 15th centuries, particularly in Italy, but also in Germany and other European countries. The period was characterized by a renewed interest in ancient Greek and Roman art and design and included an emphasis on human beings, their environment, science, and philosophy.

## **Supremacy**

The quality or condition of being supreme; supreme power or authority