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VOCABULARY

Trunkless: without a torso (part of the body from the bottom of the neck to the top of the hips) Visage: French word meaning 'face'

Pedestal: the base or support of a statue Ye:

Old English word meaning 'you' Colossal:

huge or enormous

Boundless: unlimited

Lone: deserted, uninhabited.



LEARN

- Look at the vocabulary list and make sure you understand these key words
- If there are any other words in the text that you do not understand, can you work out their meaning using the context of the sentence?

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Summary

This text describes a colossal statue which has broken apart over time and now lies in a desert.

The statue honours a 'King of Kings' by the name of Ozymandias. Ozymandias was a passionate ruler who you would not want to be on the wrong side of! Even his statue is scowling...

- Model answer Q5 What might the statue's size tell you about how rich, powerful and well-known the ruler was?

The statue is referred to as 'colossal'. This suggests that it is large and imposing. We can assume that only a very wealthy, powerful ruler would have such a large statue built in their honour. Statues are often built to celebrate people who are known by many. This implies that Ozymandias was a well-known ruler.



YOUR TASK

Now, please answer the questions for 'Ozymandias'. We

look forward to reading your responses.