



Year 4 - History

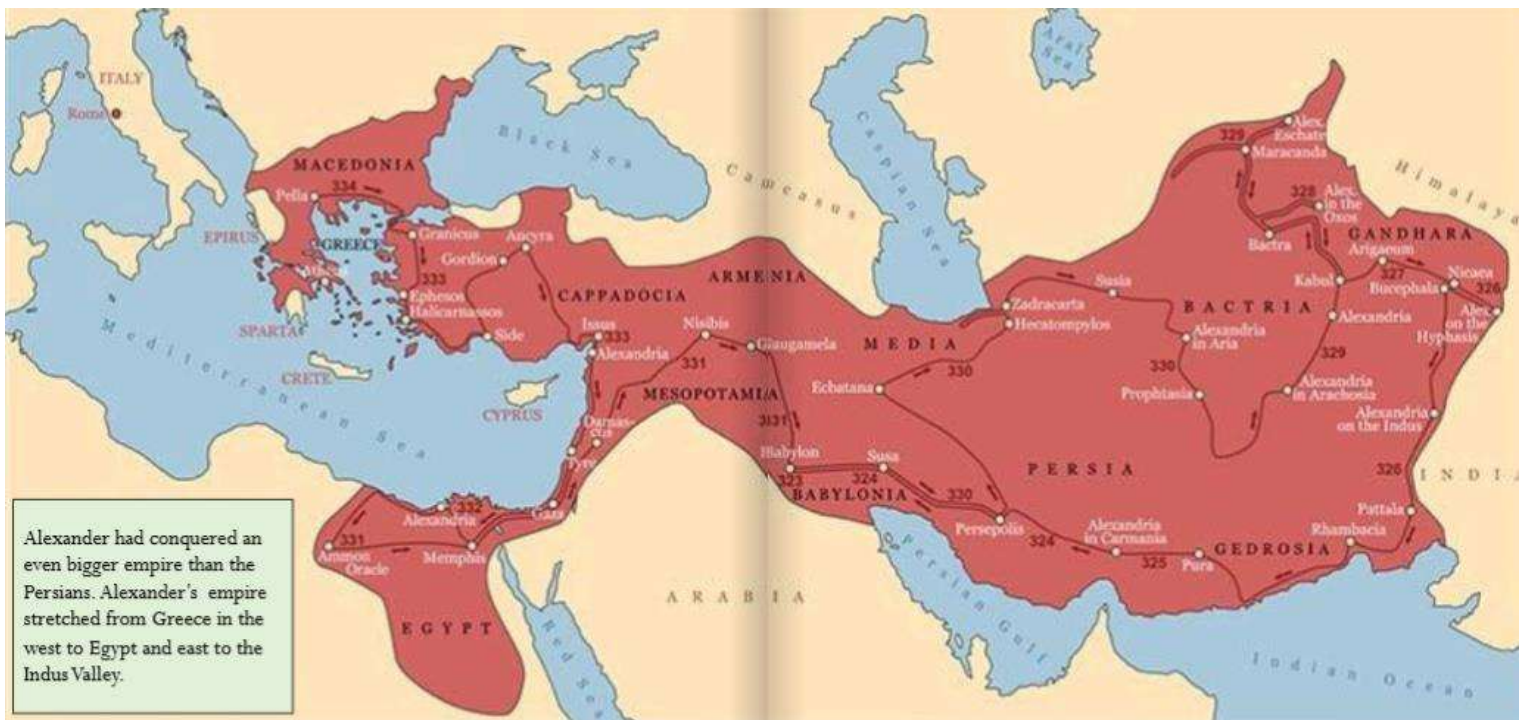
Alexander the Great



Key Vocabulary	
City-State	A city that rules itself and the land around it.
Macedon	A kingdom north of Greece
Phalanx	A formation of soldiers standing close together.
Conquer	To take control of land by force.
Empire	A group of countries ruled by one leader.
Persia	A powerful empire east of Greece.
Alexandria	A famous city founded by Alexander.
Library of Alexandria	A place where thousands of scrolls were kept.

Timeline

- 356 BCE – Alexander is born in Macedon.
- 336 BCE – Alexander becomes King.
- 334 BCE – Alexander defeats Persia at the Battle of Granicus.
- 331 BCE – Battle of Gaugamela – Alexander defeats Darius III.
- 323 BCE – Alexander dies in Babylon.



Key People

- **Alexander the Great** – King of Macedon who created one of the largest empires in history.
- **King Philip II** – Alexander's father; united Greece and built a strong army.
- **Aristotle** – Alexander's teacher; taught him philosophy and science.
- **Darius III** – King of Persia defeated by Alexander.
- **Ptolemy** – One of Alexander's generals who ruled Egypt after his death.

Big Questions

- Why was Alexander called 'Great'?
- How did Macedon become powerful?
- What made the Library of Alexandria special?

Ancient Greece