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## The Titans: An Epic Clash of Titans and Olympians

### Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. The Titanomachy symbolizes the transition from an older order to a new one, where the younger generation (the Olympians) supersedes the older (the Titans). This epic battle represents themes of generational conflict and change in leadership, reflecting the cycle of power in mythology.
2. For instance, Oceanus, a Titan, ruled over the oceans, while Poseidon, an Olympian god, also had dominion over the seas. However, Poseidon had a broader influence, including earthquakes and horses, while Oceanus was primarily associated with the sea.
3. (Responses vary, based on the student's imagination and creativity.)
4. The transition from Titan to Olympian rule signified a shift in divine power and authority. The ancient Greeks may have seen this as a natural progression, reflecting their belief in a dynamic and evolving cosmos. This change likely influenced their religious practices and stories, with the Olympian gods becoming central figures in their myths and rituals.

