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The Trojan Horse and the Fall of Troy

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. The gods played a significant role in the Trojan War by influencing events and prophecies. For example, the judgment of Paris by the goddesses led to the abduction of Helen and the war. Prophecies, like the one predicting the downfall of Troy, guided the actions of characters in the story.
2. Greek heroes in the Trojan War demonstrated bravery, cunning, leadership, and loyalty. For example, Achilles was known for his courage, Odysseus for his clever tactics, and Hector for his devotion to his city and family.
3. As a Trojan citizen, I might have felt a mix of hope and uncertainty when the Trojan Horse was brought in. I might have questioned its authenticity and been wary of it. My actions could have ranged from warning others to being cautious about celebrating too soon.
4. The Trojans could have implemented better security measures, such as thoroughly inspecting the Trojan Horse, maintaining vigilance even during times of apparent victory, and seeking diplomatic solutions to the conflict. Additionally, they could have enlisted the aid of allies or sought divine guidance to protect their city.

