**Example Paragraph**

**Original question: What kind of god is Zeus? What are his character traits?**

Zeus, the Greek king of the gods, is a very brave because he is willing to face his enemies. When Cronos ate Zeus’s siblings, Zeus found a way to free them even though he could have been eaten too. Cronos is Zeus’s father, and he was the most powerful of the gods at the time. He had also been willing to kill his own father, so facing him was very dangerous. However, Zeus still poisoned Cronos’s drink so that he vomited up the other Olympian gods. (http://www.ancientgreece.co.uk/gods/explore/exp\_set.html) In addition to Zeus freeing his siblings, he also defeats his father’s warriors. When Cronos gathered the Titans to attack Zeus and other Olympian gods, Zeus called on the Cyclopes and the Hundred-handed Ones to help him ambush his father’s warriors. Even though Zeus had allies, the Titans were the original gods, and Zeus had no way of knowing if they even could be defeated, yet he was still willing to face them. (Evslin 5) Similarly, Zeus also defeated Typhon and Echidna, two of the most powerful monsters. After Zeus defeated and imprisoned the Titans, Mother Earth sent these monster to take revenge on Zeus and the other Olympians. Typhon and Echidna were so terrifying that all of the other gods changed into animals and ran away. However, Zeus regained his courage and fought back, which motivated the other gods to return and help him defeat the monsters. (D’Aulaire 18) It is because Zeus is able to inspire others with his courage that he was the best choice to rule the Olympian gods.

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**This is what the paragraph would look like without follow ups…**

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