

Although the astrological sign Aries the ram comes from his name, Ares was no sheep. He was the brave and violent god of war. Symbols commonly associated with him are warlike: swords, spears, and armor.

Ares was a son of Zeus and Hera. His sister Athena was also a war goddess, but a much less savage one. Although he had no wife, Ares had several lovers, including Aphrodite herself. He also had multiple children. The Amazons—a tribe of warrior women—were among them.



hat is the main difference between Ares and Athena as war gods?			
hich of the followin	g is not a syno	nym for savage?	
a. calculating	b. fierce	c. uncivilized	d. violent
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5. Why might the Greeks have been afraid to worship Ares?

Answers will vary: He was violent and they didn't want his attention.