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Research & Writing Assignment: Alexander the Great

Alexander the Great was a man with extreme power who believed in achieving everything in his power to be the most powerful. During his time as a leader, he never lost a battle leading him and his empire to victory and control of the Persian Empire. If Alexander had never won his first battle and conquered Persia and established the Hellenistic World, I feel he wouldn't have been seen as "the Great" at the time. He was known for his power and victory, and with a loss in his first battle, he wouldn't have had that title. His actions of leading his empire through success were a significant aspect of history. With that, if he had lost his first battle, there wouldn't have been an extreme spread across the nation of Greek culture. His impact of leading his army throughout the Persian world led to the growth of the small Greek culture all around the globe at this time. If he had died, early Greece would have returned after the first war hopeless, looking for freedom. They most likely would have been controlled by the Macedonians due to other battles. The Persians will try to hold and claim that they will give space to the Greeks.

The Greeks turned to fight for the Persians due to the Greek cities being controlled under the Persian empire. Alexander's view on military technology was excellent; he had tremendous knowledge, so without that, the Persian empire would have lacked technology, using their old methods. This build-up could lead Rome and Persia to fight. Rome could win the battle due to the lack of power Persia would have, leaving Rome with complete control over the Persian empire. With Alexander the Great, the Hellenic period would have happened. The Greek influence on the eastern Roman Empire also wouldn't occur, allowing the Persian culture to grow

in the eastern roman empire. Overall, the history of our time would completely change due to Alexander the Great and his powerful impact from the start.

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