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### What If Alexander the Great Died in the First War?

Alexander the Great was one of the greatest conquerors known in history. Surprisingly for starting his conquest at the young age of eighteen, and died at only the age of thirty-two. This is astonishing for Alexander, who had gained control of Greece, stretching his empire from the Adriatic Sea to the Indus River, and expanding the Hellenistic culture. Defeating the Persian armies is not an easy goal, but Alexander's fearless and strategic military strategies, made it happen.

If Alexander the Great had lost the battle of Granicus, I simply do not believe that no one would have conquered Persia for at least maybe a few hundreds of years. Persia is widely known for its large empire and they were very powerful. If the Persians had won their first battle, then taking over Greece and adding it to its territory would have been easier for them to accomplish. That would mean that Greece's influence and culture would have not been as widely known since it would have to adopt Persian's culture and ideas.

If we think about the Greek's culture, they're known for its mythology, art, philosophy, and government. Democracy is used by the United States, and if it weren't for the Greeks, perhaps a lot of things would have been different. This includes the Roman Empire, which was heavily influenced by the Greeks way of thinking including law, architecture, education, and the

language which Greek became one of the primary languages in Rome. It just shows how if Alexander had lost in the beginning, the events afterward would be the complete opposite of what actually happened.