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Honors Humanities

### Preparing for Plato

This week we will read one of the most famous passages in philosophy. To prepare, look up the words below and write down their definitions.

1. knowledgeable:

2. intellectual:

3. clever:

4. enlightened:

Now, think of one person (preferably one most of us know) who fits each adjective, for a total of four people. Why does the adjective fit that person?

1. knowledgeable:

2. intellectual:

3. clever:

4. enlightened:

Finally, describe a moment in which you were “enlightened.” What was the **process** (what came before, what happened, and what followed)? What was the **content** (what were you enlightened about)? How did you feel? Did the enlightenment change your life in any significant way? If you cannot recall such a moment, look up “The Enlightened One” (the Buddha) and answer the above questions from his perspective.