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n. pl. de·i·ties

1. A god or goddess.

2.

a. The essential nature or condition of being a god; divinity.

b. **Deity** God. Used with *the*.

[Middle English *deite*, from Old French, from Late Latin *deitās*, divine nature, from Latin *deus*, god; see **dyeu-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

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