

Ancient Greece KS2 Knowledge Mat

Subject Specific Vocabulary

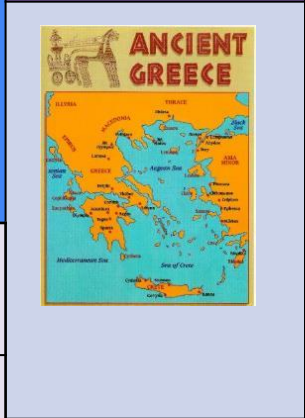
philosophy	Philosophy is a way of thinking about the world, the universe, and society.
Athens	It is the birth place of democracy and the heart of the Ancient Greek civilisation.
Sparta	An Ancient Greek city state, famous for its army.
democracy	Democracy means allowing citizens to make their own decisions for their personal lives. This was introduced by Cleisthenes in Athens in 505BC.
Olympics	The ancient Olympic Games were originally a festival, or celebration of Zeus.
City- state	a city which has its own laws , like a very small independent country.
civilisation	a society with its own social organisation and culture.
Zeus	The supreme god of the Olympians, Zeus was the father of Perseus and Heracles.
government	the group of people with the authority to rule the country or state.
Mount Olympus	The place where the Ancient Greeks believed their gods lived.



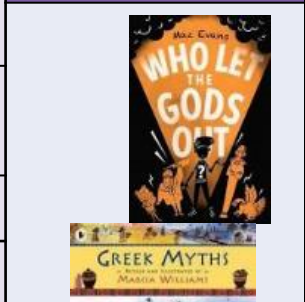
Sticky Knowledge about Ancient Greece

- Ancient Greece was a civilisation made up of city states. It existed from around 700BC.
- Sparta and Athens were two city states in Ancient Greece. Most city states were similar to Athens. Life in Sparta was very different to life in Athens. In Sparta, men had to be in the army. Women and girls in Sparta had more freedom than in Athens as they could go to school and leave the house without a man's permission.
- The Ancient Greeks worshiped lots of different gods (similar to the Ancient Egyptians). Zeus was the king of the gods. The gods had different powers. Some other gods are Athena, Aphrodite, Posiedon and Hades.
 - Historians use artefacts and archeological sites such as the Acropolis in Athens to give them clues about what Ancient Greece was like. S
- Some things that we have and do today were influenced or invented by the Ancient Greeks. The Olympic Games, the marathon, theatre, Maths, Science and medicine were all influenced by the Ancient Greeks. They also influenced some technology such as the alarm clock, the water mill and the crane.

Where is Greece?



Exciting Books



Battle of Marathon	a famous battle between Athens and the Persian Empire
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