

Autumn 1- Ancient Greece

Key Vocabulary	Definition
Democracy	A system where the citizens of a country or state are involved in the way it is run.
Ancient	Something from a very long time ago.
Empire	A group of countries or states that are ruled by one ruler or country.
City States	Small areas that Ancient Greece was divided into, each with their own governments, laws and army. The most important among them were Athens, Sparta, Corinth, Megara and Argos.
Hoplite	A heavily armed foot soldier of ancient Greece.
C.E.	Stands for Common Era or Current Era. It is the same numbering as A.D (any dates after the birth of Jesus Christ).
B.C.E.	Stands for Before the Common (or Current) Era and refers to the years before the C.E. It is the same numbering as B.C. (any dates before the birth of Jesus Christ).
Civilisation	A human society with well-developed rules and government, often where technology and the arts are considered important.
Legacies	Things that exist after someone dies or after a civilisation or event ends.
Strategy	The art of planning and directing overall military operations and movements in a war or battle.
Myth	A story from ancient times about something that happened long ago that some people believed to be true.

Key Questions

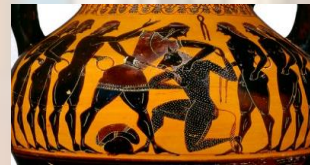
How do we know about the Ancient Greeks?

Who ruled Ancient Greece?

Which city would you rather live in: Ancient Athens or Ancient Sparta?

Does Alexander the Great live up to his name?

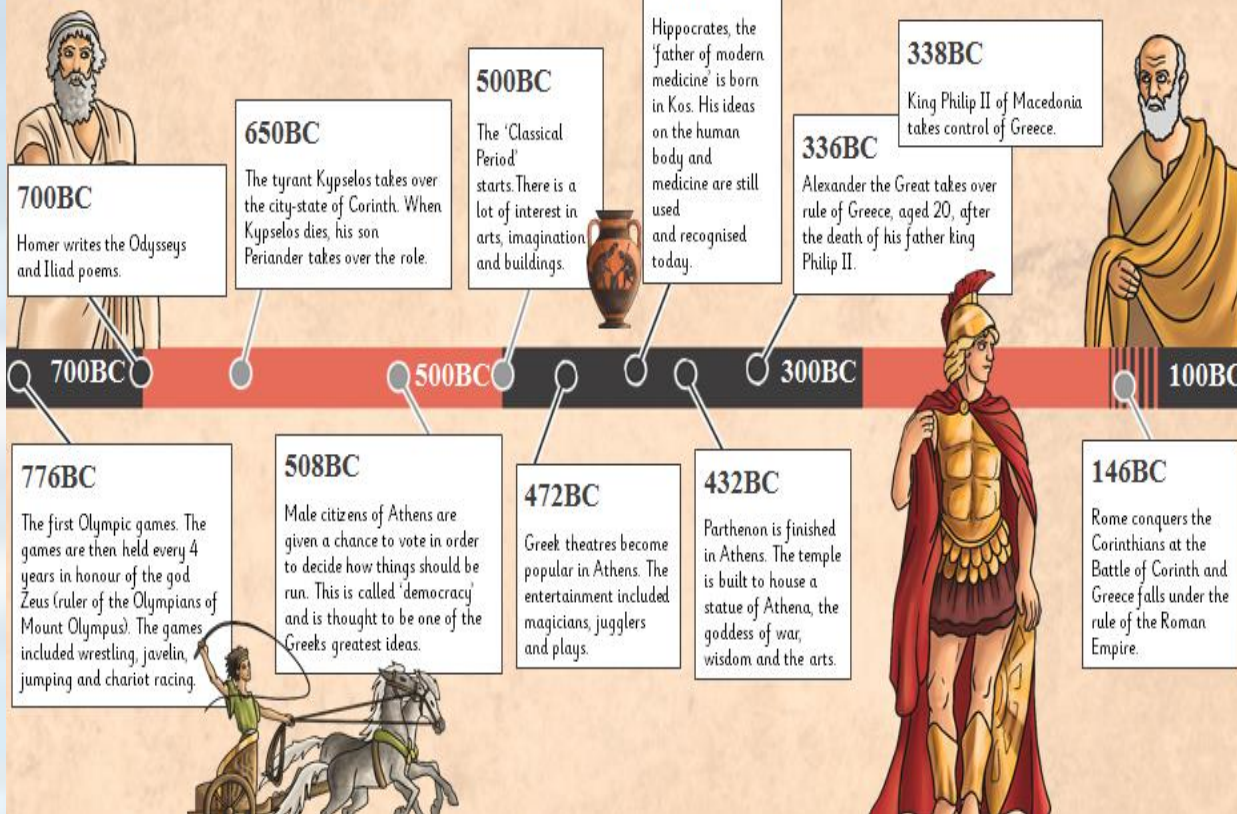
In what ways has modern-day society been influenced by the Ancients Greeks?



Fun Links to help with my learning:

- <https://www.historyforkids.net/ancient-greece.html>
- www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episodes/b00sp0l8/horrible-histories
- <https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=ancient+greece+for+kids&view=detail&mid=623922F4CEC21328D9D9623922F4CEC21328D9D9&FORM=VIRE>
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Key Facts:

- Greece wasn't a single country in ancient times like today. It was made up of lots of smaller city-states. These states fought each other and often went to war.
- There are many fields in our life affected by the knowledge from ancient Greek such as in the field of science, sport, philosophy, art, mathematics, literature, and government.
- Sparta and Athens fought a long war, called the Peloponnesian War, from 431 to 404 BCE. Only the threat of invasion by outsiders made the Greeks forget their differences and fight on the same side.
- The Ancient Greeks held many festivals in honour of their gods. To celebrate the god Zeus, for example, the first Greek Olympics were held in the city of Olympia in 776 BC and are thought to have inspired our own Olympic Games!
- Democracy was invented in ancient Athens, although only men could vote.

Places to visit to enhance your learning:



Ashmolean Museum,
Oxford



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