

History - Ancient Greece

Prior Learning:

Earlier civilisations and place in history

Key Vocabulary

Minoan	First period of the Ancient Greek civilisation.
Classical	Period of Ancient Greece that we know most about.
Government	A group of people with authority.
Democracy	Elected form of government.
Oligarchy	Ruled by small group of people.
Trade	Buying and selling of goods and services.
Archaeologist	A person who studies human history through excavation and analysis.
Polytheistic	Worshiping or believing in more than one god.
Scholar	A specialist in one subject.
philosopher	A person offering theories on profound questions.

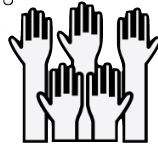
The word 'oligarchy' comes from the greek root words 'oligos' (meaning 'few') and 'arkhein' (meaning 'rule').

Oligarchy



The word 'democracy' comes from the greek root words 'demos' (meaning 'people') and 'kratos' (meaning 'power').

Democracy



The word 'monarchy' comes from the greek root words 'monos' (meaning 'one') and 'arkhein' (meaning 'rule').

Monarchy



Athens

A council of 500 citizens was randomly picked each year. They made new laws which were then voted on by the assembly - which comprised of the remaining Athenian citizens.

- Women stay home
- Liked to trade
- Democracy
- Education - military, arts, literature & philosophy



Sparta

Two Kings ruled the city-state, but a council of elders limited their powers. The elders were men from the highest social class in ancient Greece.

- Education- military training for boys
- Strong military
- Women basic military training
- Women had rights
- Oligarchy



Key Learning

- Ancient Greece can be split into 6 distinct periods.
- Most city states were first governed by a monarchy.
- Athens is considered to be the birthplace of democracy.
- Sparta is most famous for its warriors and oligarchical system of government.
- Athens was well known for its love of the arts and literature. It has influenced European and world culture.
- Ancient Greeks believed in many gods; each god was responsible for various aspects of life e.g. Ares was god of war and courage.
- Some of the work of famous Greek philosophers and scholars is still used today e.g. Hippocrates and Pythagoras.

Can I answer:

- Who were the Ancient Greeks and when did they rule?
- What kind of government did the Ancient Greeks have and how are they different?
- How were Athens and Sparta similar and different?
- What was daily life like and how do we know?
- Name at least 2 gods and what they were in charge of.

