Ancient Greece Discovery Flashcards with Ellie

Learning objective: To recall and understand key facts about Ancient Greek life, culture, and their lasting influence on modern society.

Read the front of the card and try to recall the answer. Flip the card mentally (or read the answer provided) to check your knowledge with Ellie the Elephant's help!

What was an Ancient Greek 'polis'?	A city-state, which was an independent city and its surrounding territory, such as Athens or Sparta.
In which city-state was democracy first developed?	Athens, where citizens were given the right to vote on new laws.
What major sporting event began in Ancient Greece in 776 BC?	The Olympic Games, held in honour of Zeus.
Who were the Ancient Greeks said to live on Mount Olympus?	The twelve major Olympian gods and goddesses, such as Zeus, Hera, and Athena.
What is the name of the famous temple dedicated to the goddess Athena in Athens?	The Parthenon.
What did the Ancient Greeks call their stories about gods, heroes, and monsters?	Mythology.
Which city-state was famous for its strict military training and brave warriors?	Sparta.
What was the 'Agora' in an Ancient Greek city?	A central public space used as a marketplace and a meeting place for citizens.
Who was the famous poet credited with writing the epics 'The Iliad' and 'The Odyssey'?	Homer.
What is 'Philosophy'?	A word meaning 'love of wisdom', used by thinkers like Socrates to explore big questions about life.
What was a Greek 'chiton'?	A simple tunic made from a piece of fabric, commonly worn by both men and women.
Why were Ancient Greek theatres built in a semi-circle shape?	To provide excellent acoustics so the whole audience could hear the actors clearly.