

Ancient Greece: A Journey Through Social Studies / History with Ellie the Elephant

Learning objective: To demonstrate knowledge and understanding of Ancient Greek society, daily life, and their contributions to the modern world.

Read each question carefully. Use your historical knowledge to provide clear and accurate answers. Ellie the Elephant has helped prepare these questions to test your memory of the Ancient Greek world!

Ellie the Elephant has been visiting the ruins of Ancient Greece. She has seen the great stone columns of the Parthenon and has been reading about how the people of Athens created a new way to govern themselves called democracy. Meanwhile, in the city-state of Sparta, life was very different, with a focus on strength and discipline. Ellie wants to know what you have learned about these fascinating people who lived thousands of years ago.

Word bank: Democracy · City-state · Olympics · Philosophy · Parthenon · Mythology · Assembly · Athens · Sparta

1. Explain what a 'city-state' was in Ancient Greece. Why did they often act like separate countries? (2 marks)

2. Name two differences between the way of life in Athens compared to the way of life in Sparta. (2 marks)

3. What was the purpose of the ancient Olympic Games, and how did they bring the different Greek city-states together? (3 marks)

4. The Ancient Greeks are famous for their democracy. Describe how the 'Assembly' worked and who was allowed to participate. (3 marks)

5. Identify one Ancient Greek god or goddess and explain one myth or story associated with them. (2 marks)

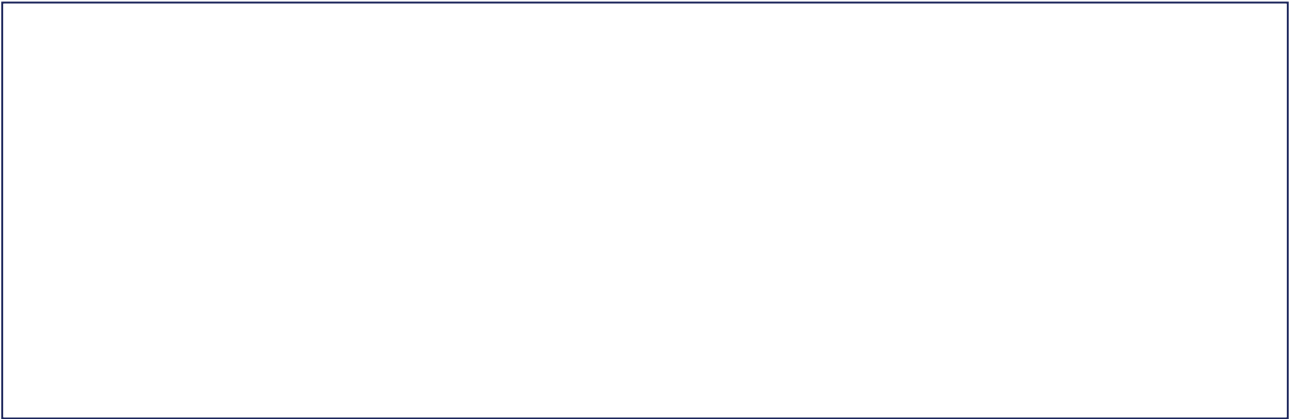
6. How do we know about Ancient Greek life today? Give two examples of 'primary sources' or archaeological evidence that historians use. (2 marks)

7. Extended Writing Task: Ellie the Elephant is writing a report on the legacy of Ancient Greece. Write a paragraph explaining how Ancient Greek inventions or ideas (such as democracy, theatre, or architecture) still influence our lives in the UK today. Use examples to support your answer. (5 marks)

8. If you were a trader in an ancient Greek marketplace (an agora), name two items you might buy or sell, and state what currency you might use to pay for them. (2 marks)

9. Why was the Parthenon built, and which goddess was it dedicated to? (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a sketch of an Ancient Greek building, including at least one of the three architectural orders (Doric, Ionic, or Corinthian columns).



Extension challenge: Total: /25