Ellie’s Ancient Greece Adventure

Learning objective: To recall and apply knowledge about Ancient Greek life, culture, and their influence on the modern world.

Join Ellie the Elephant on a journey back in time! Read the questions carefully and use your historical knowledge to find the answers. Good luck!

Answer Key: 1. A (Athens), 2. True, 3. False (The games were held in Olympia), 4. Democracy, 5. B (A large temple), 6. True, 7. Pottery, 8. B (The Trojan Horse), 9. C (Olive trees), 10. True.

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

1. 1. Which city is known as the birthplace of democracy? A) Athens* B) Sparta C) Corinth D) Thebes (1 mark)

2. 2. True or False: Ancient Greeks lived in independent 'city-states' rather than one big country. (1 mark)

3. 3. True or False: The first Olympic Games were held in Athens. (1 mark)

4. 4. What is the name for a system of government where the people have a say in the decisions? (One word answer) (1 mark)

5. 5. What was the Parthenon? A) A famous ship B) A large temple* C) A type of school D) A marketplace (1 mark)

6. 6. True or False: Ancient Greeks told stories about gods and goddesses to explain the world around them. (1 mark)

7. 7. What did the Ancient Greeks use to store olive oil and wine, often decorated with beautiful paintings? (One word answer) (1 mark)

8. 8. Which of these is a famous story from Greek legends? A) The Great Pyramid B) The Trojan Horse* C) The Invention of the Wheel D) The first train (1 mark)

9. 9. Which plant was very important to the Ancient Greek economy? A) Wheat B) Cotton C) Olive trees* D) Cocoa beans (1 mark)

10. 10. True or False: Many modern theatres are built in a similar shape to Ancient Greek amphitheatres. (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a scene from Ancient Greece. You could draw a tall temple with stone columns, an Olympic athlete running, or a decorative pot showing a hero from a myth.

Extension challenge: Ellie wants to know: If you could invent a new Olympic sport that represents your favourite hobby, what would it be and what equipment would you need?