Ancient Greece Adventure with Ellie the Elephant

Learning objective: To recall key facts about Ancient Greek society, including democracy, city-states, and daily life.

Join Ellie the Elephant on a historical trek through Ancient Greece! Read each question carefully and select the best answer. Good luck, historians!

Answer Key: 1. A (Athens), 2. False (They were city-states), 3. True, 4. Parthenon, 5. C (Democracy), 6. False (They were held in Olympia), 7. Socrates, 8. B (Mount Olympus), 9. True, 10. Hoplite.

Word bank: Democracy · Athens · Sparta · Olympics · Acropolis · Parthenon · Philosopher

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

2. 2. True or False: Ancient Greece was a single country ruled by one king. (1 mark)

3. 3. True or False: The Ancient Greeks believed in many different gods and goddesses. (1 mark)

4. 4. What is the name of the famous temple built for the goddess Athena on the Acropolis? (1-word answer) (1 mark)

5. 5. What type of government involves citizens voting on laws? A) Monarchy B) Tyranny C) Democracy* D) Oligarchy (1 mark)

6. 6. True or False: The first Olympic Games were held in the city of Athens. (1 mark)

7. 7. Who was the famous Athenian philosopher who was known for asking difficult questions? (1-word answer) (1 mark)

8. 8. Where did the ancient Greeks believe their twelve major gods lived? A) The Parthenon B) Mount Olympus* C) The Aegean Sea D) The Agora (1 mark)

9. 9. True or False: Boys in Sparta were trained to be soldiers from a very young age. (1 mark)

10. 10. What was the name of the heavily armed foot soldier in the Ancient Greek army? (1-word answer) (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a scene from an Ancient Greek marketplace (the Agora). Include a tall stone pillar, a merchant selling olives, and Ellie the Elephant wearing a traditional Greek chiton (tunic).

Extension challenge: Research the 'Trojan Horse' story. Write a short paragraph in your history journal explaining why this is considered a clever, yet controversial, military tactic.