Ancient Greece: Researcher's Fact-File

Learning objective: To research and record key information about Ancient Greek life, society, and their lasting influence on the modern world.

Help Ellie the Elephant expand her history collection! Use your library books or approved online resources to complete this fact-file. Write in full sentences, ensuring you use clear historical terminology to describe the different aspects of Ancient Greek civilisation.

Word bank: Democracy · City-state · Acropolis · Olympics · Philosophy · Mythology · Architecture · Hoplite · Agora

1. The City-State System: Explain how Ancient Greece was organised into city-states (poleis) and describe one major difference between Athens and Sparta. (3 marks)

2. Democratic Foundations: Describe how the concept of democracy began in Athens and explain who was allowed to participate in decision-making. (3 marks)

3. Gods and Myths: Choose one Greek god or goddess. State their name and describe their role in mythology and how the Greeks honoured them. (2 marks)

4. Ancient Innovations: Identify one achievement from Ancient Greece (such as in architecture, science, or theatre) and explain why it is still important today. (3 marks)

5. Daily Life: Describe the role of the 'agora' in a Greek city and explain what activities took place there for the local citizens. (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Imagine you are a merchant travelling between city-states. Write a short journal entry (approx. 100 words) describing the sights, sounds, and smells of the marketplace, and the items you are hoping to trade.