



History focus	Ancient Greece	Year 4	Summer Term
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What? (Key knowledge)

Roman Gods

Zeus	King of the Gods
Ares	God of War
Poseidon	God of the sea
Hades	God of the Underworld

Who were the Ancient Greeks?

Where did the Greeks originate?	About 2,500 years ago, Greece was one of the most important places in the ancient world. The Greeks called themselves Hellenes and their land was Hellas. The name 'Greeks' was given to the people of Greece later by the Romans. They lived in mainland Greece and the Greek islands, but also in colonies scattered around the Mediterranean Sea. There were Greeks in Italy, Sicily, Turkey, North Africa, and as far west as France
Who were the first Greek civilization?	The Minoans were the first great Greek civilization and lived on island of Crete, between 2200BC and 1450BC. Next came the Mycenaean civilization, from mainland Greece. They were fine builders and traders, but they were also great soldiers.

What? (Key Vocabulary)

Democracy	A democracy means 'rule by the people'. Here, people can take part in the decisions that affect the way their community is run.
Philosophy	The word comes from the Greek language and means 'love of wisdom'. It is the study of difficult questions about human life and questioning the world.

Legacy

The people of Ancient Greece built fantastic temples, made scientific discoveries, wrote plays and founded the first proper democracy.

They sailed the sea to trade and find new lands. The Greeks took their ideas with them and they started a way of life that's similar to the one we have today

One of the most unique and wonderful of Greek inventions was philosophy. Philosophy was the special way Greeks attempted to make sense out of the world, in a non-religious way.

The first Olympic games were held in Greece in 776 BC.

Diagrams and symbols



Possible experiences

- Create a Greek Pot
- Discover Greek Myths and create own weird and wonderful monsters
- Create a Greek God family tree/top trumps game

