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Living in Ancient Greece

Introductory video and questions

Important Vocabulary:

**Acropolis**: A Greek word meaning "high city." In Athens, the acropolis rises over the city. The Parthenon, the famous temple of Athena, is located in the acropolis.

**Agora**: A marketplace or city square.

**Aristocrat**: A Greek word meaning "the best people." In ancient Greece, the aristocrats were rich land owners.

**City-States:** The civilization of ancient Greece developed in many small, independent countries known as city-states. Each city-state had its own army, its own laws, and own form of government. Vatican city in Italy is a modern example of a city-state.

**Democracy**: A word meaning "government by the people." This form of government was first created in the Greek city-state of Athens over 2400 years ago.

**Myths**: Folk tales often telling about the great powers and adventures of the gods and goddesses. Even though myths may not be true, they can tell us a lot about what ancient people believed.

**Oracle**: A place where prophecies are made; or a person who makes prophecies and who gives advice about the future.

**Parthenon**: The famous temple of Athena in Athens.

**Philosopher**: A Greek word meaning “lover of knowledge.” Philosophers studied and wrote about the meaning of life and about science.

1. Describe the land of Ancient Greece.

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1. Because the different cities were isolated from each other, they needed to form \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. They each had their own \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
2. How were the different Greek city-states **similar**?

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1. Where did the Gods and Goddesses come from?

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1. What were the finest buildings in Greek cities? What were they used for?

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1. What is the most famous Greek city-state? What is it most known for?

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1. When were the first Olympic Games? Why did they first begin?

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1. What kind of events were held during the Olympic Games?

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1. The Greeks were very famous for their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, which were based off legends and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. The plays were very different from today because:

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1. Ancient Greece is known as the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of Western Civilization. Why?

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1. Where can you find Greek architecture and influence in the world today?

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