Rocket Words	
legacy	the lasting impact and influence a civilisation has had on present day
city - states	cities that rule themselves and the land around them, although they may be part of a larger civilisation
philosopher	someone who studies big questions about existence, knowledge, values, reason, mind and language
democracy	a system of government where the people hold the power and vote for representatives to make decisions on their behalf
Athens	an Ancient Greek city – state, remembered for its legacy of philosophy, art, and democracy
Olympia	the site of the Ancient Olympic Games and religious place to worship Zeus
Mount Olympus	the highest mountain in Greece and the mythological home of the twelve Olympian Gods

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The Legacy of Ancient Greece

The city-states of Ancient Greece

Ancient Greece did not have one ruler. It was instead made up of areas and cities which were ruled separately, but had a shared language, religion and culture. Each city has a different legacy.



Ancient Greek theatre

Greek theatre took place in an outdoor theatron. The chorus sang and chanted while male actors performed on the orchestra (the stage) wearing masks.



Ancient Athenian democracy

Democracy developed in the city-state of Athens.

- Male citizens over 18 could vote on laws.
- Women, children, foreigners and enslaved people were excluded.
- Voting happened in public, including using ostracon to banish people from the city.
- The Boule was made up of 500 randomly-chosen men who organised the votes.



The Ancient Olympic Games

The Olympic Games were held in Olympia and were attended by athletes from all over Greece. They featured sports such as boxing, chariot racing, running, and pankration.
The games were held to honour the Ancient Greek gods.





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