



Whatever did the Greeks do for us?

A study of Greek life and achievements and their influence on the western world

Threshold Concepts: Evidential Enquiry, Continuity and Change and Significance

Year: 4

Term: Summer

What should I already know?

What will I know by the end of the unit?

What should I be able to do by the end of the unit?

- The Ancient Greeks were a civilisation that lived in Greece and the countries that we now call Turkey and Bulgaria.
- The Ancient Greeks achieved several legacies such as democracy, literature, theatre and map making, that are still used in modern society.
- Democracy was invented in Athens c.500 BC. Only not everyone in Athens could vote. Slaves, women and children were not able to vote.
- Many public buildings today, such as British Museum, were designed to look like Greek temples.
- The most iconic feature, the Greek column (a large cylindrical post) comes in three styles: Doric, Ionic and Corinthian.
- The Parthenon, in Athens, is a temple to the goddess Athena and one of the most significant pieces of architecture from ancient times.
- Know the usefulness of sources and interpret them.
- An understanding of the significance of map making on our society today.

Evidential Enquiry

- Infer information from artefacts about what life was like in Ancient Greece
- make inferences from sources about the location, physical features and climate of modern Greece.
- carry out research using secondary sources of written information
- to consider the limitations of using artefacts in isolation from other historical sources
- use pictorial sources and historical maps to identify the similarities and differences between Ancient Greek and contemporary architecture.

Significance

- Understand how the Ancient Greeks' achievements and legacies have had an impact on modern life
- Locate and compare Ancient Greek architecture to modern day buildings and be able to discuss Greek influence on today's architecture.

Change and Continuity

- Use timelines effectively to develop a clear understanding of Ancient Greece (chronology)
- Make inferences about the influences of Ancient Greek architecture upon contemporary architecture.
- Discuss how and why Greek map making influences are still prevalent today.

Agreed Real-Life Outcomes

Create a class museum display reflecting past and present life, architecture and map work in Ancient Greece.

What do I want to find out?



Key:

Historical Terminology
Ancient Greek Vocabulary

Additional Vocabulary	Definition
Dictatorship	Ruled by one person (a dictator) who has total power over a country.
Assembly	a group of citizens who turned up to vote
Acropolis	an ancient citadel (fortress) usually on a hill.
Legacy	Something handed on to the next generation.

