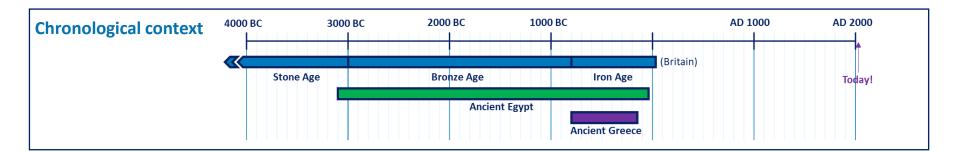
Ancient Greece



Geographical context Greece is in Europe. It was influenced by Ancient Egyptians and Ancient Sumer. Ancient

Greece is made up of **city-states**, like Athens and Sparta.

They each had their own government and identity.



Core Vocabulary

- architecture: (noun) the practice of designing and constructing buildings
- **astrology:** (noun) the belief (not science) that the positions of stars and movements of the planets affect people's behaviour and lives
- astronomy: (noun) the science of studying space
- century: (noun) one hundred (100) years
- decade: (noun) ten (10) years
- **democracy:** (noun) a place where as many people as possible has a say in how it is run
- government: (noun) the people or system that runs a place
- identity: (noun) words you use to describe yourself
- Athens: (Noun) one of the city-states of Greece; it was known for intelligence and learning
- **city-state:** (noun) a city (with the farmland around it) that has its own identity and system of government
- mythology: (noun) a collection of fictional stories
- **Sparta:** one of the more important city-states in Greece, famous for its soldiers.

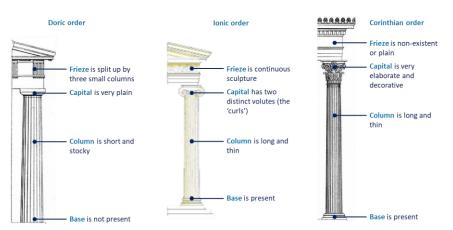


Ancient Greece 2

The Ancient Greeks influence our lives today in many ways, including:

Architecture

The Ancient Greeks built temples to honour their gods.



We can see architecture like this around us today:



Democracy

- Athens developed the first democracy.
- Many countries around the world —
 including the UK, Japan, Canada, Chile
 and Botswana have a democracy today.
- However, not many people in Athens could vote. Women, children and men who were not citizens were not allowed!

Knowledge

The Ancient Greeks developed new ideas, including:

- **Aristotle**, the 'father of science' who started to use a 'scientific method' like the one we use today.
- **Hippocrates**, the 'father of medicine' who created a set of rules that all doctors should follow. Similar rules are followed by doctors today.

The Ancient Greeks had a lot of help, and built on the ideas of people in Ancient Sumer and Ancient Egypt.

Mythology

Mythology influences us today:

- We get some words from it (e.g. 'echo' is named after Echo; 'demented' comes from Demeter).
- It introduced things that we still have today (e.g. Olympic games)
- It has moral lessons that are still useful today.



