

# Year 3 Summer - Ancient Greece



Married Greek women had to stay home and only poor women went out alone. They spent their time weaving and looking after the children.



Men were in charge of the home and family. They could work, often on farms but were usually soldiers too. Men usually ate with friends instead of their families.

In Ancient Greece, boys went to school but girls didn't. Most boys had to work hard as fishermen and farmers and the family slave would take them to school.

The Olympics was originally held to honour the Greek god Zeus. They were held in Olympia and the prize was a wreath of olive leaves!



The Battle of Marathon happened in 490BC. The Persians wanted to conquer Greece, but even though there were more men in the Persian army, Greece took the victory!



776BC  
First Olympics

500BC  
Classical period starts

460BC  
Hippocrates born

336BC  
Alexander the Great takes control

508BC  
Men in Athens vote

472BC  
Greek theatre popular

432BC  
Parthenon finished

146BC  
Greece part of Roman Empire

The ancient Greeks had lots of gods and goddesses and knew many myths about them. they built temples (the Parthenon is a famous one!) and offered sacrifices to them. A few of them are Zeus, Apollo, Hercules and Athena.

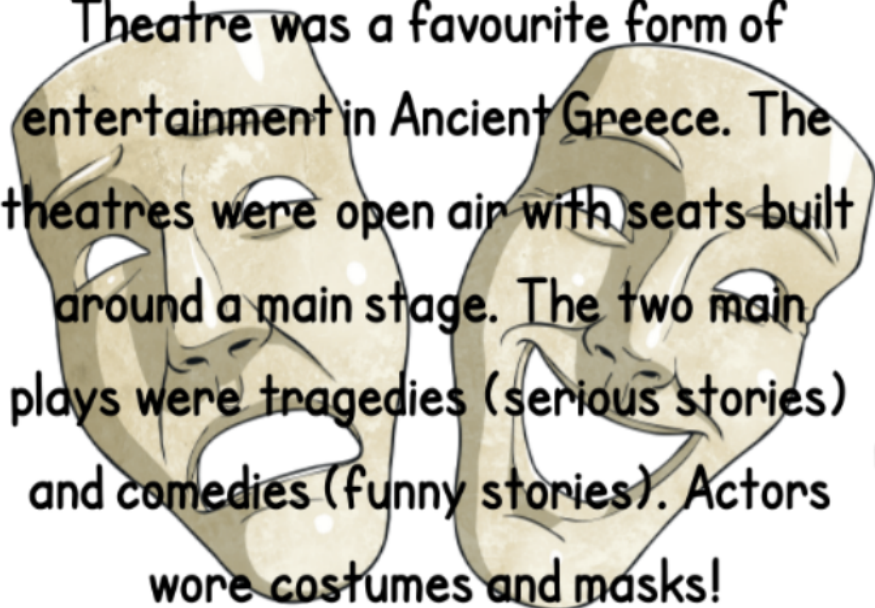


Zeus



Athena

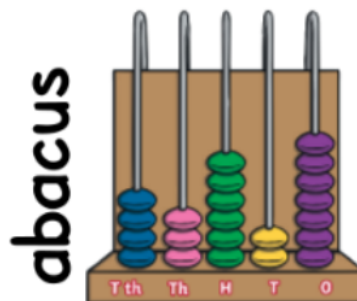
Theatre was a favourite form of entertainment in Ancient Greece. The theatres were open air with seats built around a main stage. The two main plays were tragedies (serious stories) and comedies (funny stories). Actors wore costumes and masks!



The Trojan War was one of the greatest wars in Ancient Greece. It happened between the Trojans and the Achaeans and Homer wrote a poem about it! The Greeks managed to win by building a big wooden horse called the Trojan Horse and hiding inside it!



Parthenon



abacus



weaving

In most of Ancient Greece, clay/stone houses were built around an open courtyard where women would sit and meals would be eaten. Men and women usually lived in different parts of the house.

\*In Sparta, men would live in the barracks and only visit their homes sometimes. Women had much more freedom here while their husbands were off fighting!