

GROOVY GREEKS



WHAT SHOULD I ALREADY KNOW?

- KNOW SOME OF THE MAIN CHARACTERISTICS OF THE ATHENIANS AND SPARTANS.
- THE PELOPONNESIAN WAR WAS BETWEEN ATHENS AND SPARTA.
- TO BE ABLE TO NAME SOME OTHER WARS THAT ATHENS WAS A PART OF.
- TO BE ABLE TO EXPLAIN THE MYTH OF THE TROJAN WAR.

KEY FACTS

- THE GREEKS VOTED USING STONES ON THE PNYX.
- THERE WERE THREE MAIN SYSTEMS OF DEMOCRACY IN ANCIENT GREECE.
- THE EKKLESIA WAS THE MAIN ASSEMBLY OF THE CITIZENS.
- MOST ASPECTS OF GREEK LIFE HAVE A PATRON GOD OR GODDESS.

WHAT WILL I KNOW BY THE END OF THIS TOPIC?

- ONLY MEN WHO HAD COMPLETED MILITARY TRAINING COULD VOTE.
- THE PROCESS BY WHICH ANCIENT GREEK CITIZENS COULD VOTE.
- THAT THERE ARE A NUMBER OF SIMILARITIES AND DIFFERENCES BETWEEN DEMOCRACY TODAY AND DEMOCRACY IN ANCIENT GREECE.
- TO BE ABLE TO EXPLAIN THE DEMOCRATIC SYSTEM IN ANCIENT GREECE.
- TO BE ABLE TO EXPLAIN THE GODDESS ATHENA'S LINK TO DEMOCRACY.

KEY VOCABULARY

DEMOCRACY	A SYSTEM OF GOVERNMENT BY THE WHOLE POPULATION OR ALL THE ELIGIBLE MEMBERS OF A STATE.
CITY-STATE	A POLITICAL SYSTEM WHERE AN INDEPENDENT CITY IS THE CENTRE AND LEADER OF POLITICAL, ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL LIFE.
MONARCHY	A FORM OF GOVERNMENT IN WHICH THE MONARCH IS HEAD OF STATE FOR LIFE.
OLIGARCHY	A SMALL GROUP OF PEOPLE HAVING CONTROL OF A COUNTRY.
ASSEMBLY	A GROUP OF PEOPLE GATHERED TOGETHER IN ONE PLACE FOR A COMMON PURPOSE.
COUNCIL	A GROUP OF PEOPLE WHO COME TOGETHER TO CONSULT, DELIBERATE OR MAKE DECISIONS.
COURTS	A BODY OF PEOPLE PRESIDED OVER BY A JUDGE, JUDGES OR MAGISTRATE.
PNYX	A HILL IN CENTRAL ATHENS WHERE ATHENIANS GATHERED TO HOST THEIR ASSEMBLIES.
ATHENA	PATRON GODDESS OF ATHENS