



peninsula




an area of land
surrounded by
water on three
sides

How will we use
it?

Greece is a
peninsula off of
Europe and it also
contains peninsulas.



talk  Turn and Talk:

Turn to a partner and
finish this sentence:

A great thing about living
on a peninsula would be...



acropolis



a hill in a city
that is protected
from attack
(fortified)

*Acropolis (with a capital A refers to a
specific place in Athens)*

How will we use
it?

People in ancient
Greece liked to build
their cities near an
acropolis.



Quick Draw

Draw an acropolis. Don't forget that it is more than just a hill. It is defended.



agora




a public and open
area meant for
assemblies and
markets

How will we use
it?

The agora was the
center of political
and religious life in
ancient Greece



talk  Turn and Talk:

Turn to a partner and
finish this sentence:

People of Athens went to the
agora to...



aristocracy



A type of government run by members of the rich and powerful families

How will we use it?
During Greece's Dark Ages, most of the city-states were ruled by an aristocracy.



talk  Turn and Talk:

Why do you think people let aristocrats lead?

Turn to a partner and finish this sentence:

Aristocrats led in ancient Greece because....



citizen



an individual that lives in a society and is given special privileges or rights. Also has more responsibility.

How will we use it?

Only men (whose parents were both citizens) had rights as citizens in ancient Greece



talk Turn and Talk:

What advantages did citizens have over non-citizens?

Turn to a partner and answer this question:

Who was not considered a citizen in ancient Athens?



democracy



a
government
where all
citizens vote

How will we use
it?

After they
overthrew the
tyrants, many
city-states adopted a
type of government
called a democracy.

Democracy in
Athens



talk  Turn and Talk:

Turn to a partner and
finish this sentence:

One good thing about a
democracy is _____. One
bad thing about a
democracy is _____.



epic



a long poem
that tells a
story

How will we use
it?

Homer wrote two
epics about the
Trojan War: The
Illiad and the
Odyssey.



talk  Turn and Talk:

Turn to a partner and answer these questions:
Come up with the story arch for an epic. Who is the hero? What is their problem? What is the journey?



helots



a Spartan slave
that was owned
by Sparta (not
individuals)

How will we use
it?

The Spartans
conquered the land
around their city.
They turned the
conquered people into
helots.



talk  Turn and Talk:

Imagine you are a Spartan.

Turn to a partner and
finish this sentence:

Yesterday I made my helot...



immortal



someone or
something
that lives
forever

How will we use
it?

The Greeks believed
that their gods and
goddesses looked and
acted like humans but
were immortal.



talk  Turn and Talk:

Turn to a partner and
finish this sentence:

If I was immortal, I would...



oligarchy




a form of government where all the power belongs to a very small, rich group

How will we use it?

Similar to an aristocracy, but oligarchy is a more generic term- does not have to be from a specific class of society



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talk  Turn and Talk:

Turn to a partner and
answer this question:

What is one advantage of
an oligarchy?



oracle




a person who
speaks for the
gods and
goddesses

How will we use
it?

The Greeks visited
oracles to ask for
help from the gods
and goddesses.



talk  Turn and Talk:

Turn to a partner and finish
this sentence:

If I could ask an oracle
anything, I would ask them ...



philosophers



people that believed
that people could use
the powers of the
mind and reason to
understand natural
events

How will we use
it?

Socrates, Plato,
and Aristotle
were famous
Greek
philosophers.



talk  Turn and Talk:

Turn to a partner and
finish this sentence:

Philosophers were people
that...



polis



Greek
city-states



tribute




payment made
by a less
powerful state or
country to a
more powerful
one

How will we use
it?

During the Golden
age of Athens, other
city-states paid
tribute, which added
to the city's wealth.



talk  Turn and Talk:

Think about this: Why would anyone have to give tribute?

Turn to a partner and finish this sentence:

Less powerful states give tribute because...



tyrant




a cruel
ruler who
takes
power

How will we use
it?

Aristocratic
government
were replaced
with tyrants.



talk  Turn and Talk:

Turn to a partner and
finish this sentence:

Tyrants are bad
because...