

Year 4 - History Spr 2 Ancient Greece



Subject Specific Vocabulary

Key word	Definition
Ancient history	This is the history of people who lived thousands of years ago in places where writing was being developed (3000BC to 500AD).
archaeologist	An archaeologist learns about the past by digging up and studying remains and objects left behind.
architecture	This is the art of design and making buildings
artefact	A man-made object left behind by the past.
BCE	This stands for 'Before the Common Era' It is a non- Christian way of referring to BC (Before Christ)
CE	This stands for the 'Common Era' and is a non-Christian way of referring to everything that has happened after the birth of Jesus (AD)
cartography	This is the science of making maps
civilisation	A large, well organised group of people united by shared laws, trade, culture and values.
city state	A city state is a city which has its own ruler and government that rules the city and the surrounding countryside. Some of the most important city states in Ancient Greece were Athens, Sparta, Corinth and Thebes
democracy	This literally means 'rule by the people'. In a democracy the ordinary people have some say in how the government is run e.g. by voting.
legacy	something handed on to the next generation