

Vocabulary	Meaning
democracy	form of government in which power rests with the people
philosophy	study of the nature of life, truth, knowledge & living well
geometry	area of maths concerned with study of shapes and objects
language	system of spoken or written words used to communicate
city state	self-governing state made up of a city & nearby territory
citizen	person who lives in and has rights given by a town or city
oligarchy	government or state in which a few people or family rule
economy	system of how money is made and used in a country
Trojan horse	a huge wooden horse used to trick the citizens of Troy
siege	military act of surrounding a city and cutting off supplies
legend	story from long ago that cannot be proven true or untrue
allegiance	loyalty or dedication to a person, country or belief
strategy	planning and direction of large military actions in war
elite	those with greatest authority or privilege or highest status
sacrifice	the gift of something to a god as an act of worship
sanctuary	a holy or sacred place
Diadochi	Rival generals, families & friends of Alexander the Great

### Key knowledge – Contributions on the Modern World



In Ancient Greece there were two city states: The people in each state lived very different lives. Sparta was an oligarchy and warrior culture. Athens was a democracy based on trade. They all worshiped the Greek Gods like Zeus and Athena.



In addition to democracy (where citizens vote on decisions about their daily lives), the Ancient Greeks also gave us the roots of our language, geometry, the Olympic games and philosophy. Famous philosophers include Socrates and Plato.

### Key knowledge – Wars and Alexander the Great



The Greeks fought many wars, often between themselves.

The Trojan War is a myth or legend, it may or may not have happened. In the Battle of Thermopylae in 480BC, 300 Spartans are said to have fought a huge invading Persian army.



In 336BC, at 19, Alexander became King of Macedonia. He quickly conquered all of Ancient Greece, expanded his empire then died aged 33