

What should I already know?

- Greece is a country in the continent of Europe.
- The climate of Greece is slightly different to that of the UK.
- Human and physical geographical features of Greece.
- Information about the Egyptian civilisation.
- The Romans invaded Britain.
- The chronology of British history

Historical Skills and Enquiry

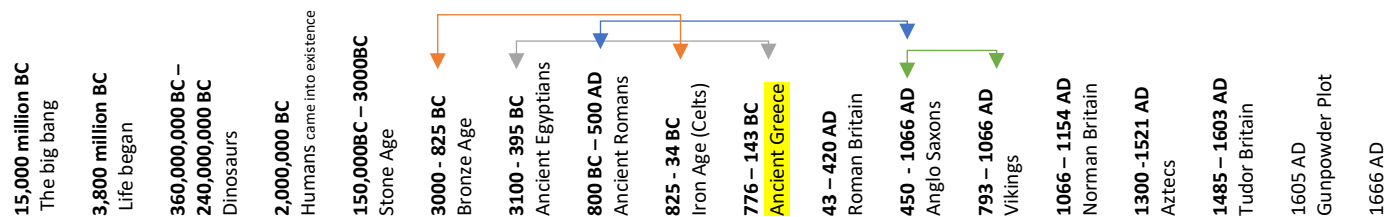
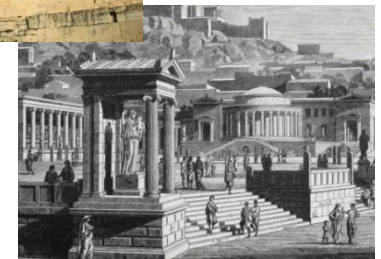
- I can appreciate how historical artefacts have helped us understand more about people's lives in the present and past.
- I can make comparisons between historical periods; explaining things that have changed and things which have stayed the same.
- I can draw a timeline with different time periods outlined which show different information, such as, periods of history when famous people lived etc.

On this map you can see
the UK and Greece.



Greece:

- Greece is made up of the mainland and many islands.
- Its position by the sea meant that the Greeks were a seafaring people.
- City-states (polis) were created and trade happened between each of the cities.
- Greece is a warm country, but winds from the Mediterranean, and rains from the north, kept temperatures liveable and created fertile farming



Vocabulary	
acropolis	the citadel of an ancient Greek city
archaeologist	someone who studies the past by exploring old remains
architecture	the art of planning, designing, and constructing buildings
chronology	the order of events in time
circa	Latin meaning 'around'. c. 800 BC means around 800 BC.
citadel	a strong building in or near a city, where people could shelter for safety
civilisation	a human society with its own social organisation and culture.
climate	the general weather conditions that are typical of a place
continent	a very large area of land that consists of many countries. Europe is a continent.
culture	activities such as the arts and philosophy, which are important for the development of civilisation
deity	a god or goddess
democracy	a fair political system where all adults vote for an elected government. This government then makes decisions on how to run the country.
empire	a number of individual nations that are all controlled by the government or ruler of one particular country
fertile	rich in nutrients to support the growth of many plants
invasion	to try and take over a place by force
merchant	a person who buys or sells goods in large quantities
military	relating to or belonging to the army
mythology	a group of myths, especially all the myths from a country, religion, or culture.
philosophy	the study or creation of theories about basic things such as the nature of existence, knowledge, and thought, or about how people should live
polis	an ancient Greek city-state
polytheists	the worship of or belief in more than one god
seafaring	working as a sailor or travelling regularly on the sea
society	people in general, thought of as a large organized group
trade	the activity of buying, selling, or exchanging goods or services
urban	belonging to, or relating to, a town or city
warfare	the activity of fighting a war

Important Facts
• Greece was divided into city states (polis) that each had their own laws and way of life, but that all spoke the same language. Two of the most well-known city states are Athens and Sparta. • In Athens, Greek styles of art, architecture, philosophy and theatre were developed - these helped shaped our modern society along with science, language and maths. • Athens had a democratic government – this means that the people who lived there made decisions by voting, like we do in Britain. • In Sparta, life was very different; all that was important was being able to defend Sparta in battle. • The first Olympic games were held in 776 in the city-state Olympia. • Religion was very important in ancient Greece. They were polytheists - they believed in different gods and goddesses that were in charge of different parts of their lives, such as a god of the sea and a goddess of wisdom. Temples were built in their honour and they featured heavily in the stories of Greek mythology. • A polis consisted of an urban centre, often fortified and with a sacred centre built on a natural acropolis (citadel) or harbour.

