

Ancient Greece

Vocabulary

1. **Alexander the Great**—ancient Macedonian who conquered most of the known world around 334 B.C.
2. **Archimedes**—ancient Greek inventor and mathematician who invented Archimedes' Screw
3. **aristocrats**—wealthy property owners in ancient Greece
4. **Aristotle**—ancient Greek philosopher; teacher of Alexander the Great
5. **Athens**—ancient Greek city-state
6. **city-state**—an ancient Greek region that has its own government and citizenry
7. **Delian League**—ancient Athens and her allies
8. **Euclid**—ancient Greek mathematician who developed a branch of geometry
9. **freeman**—male citizen of ancient Athens
10. **fresco**—a type of painting in which a picture is painted onto a plaster wall
11. **helots**—ancient Spartan slaves
12. **Hellenistic Age**—ancient Greek civilization that emerged under the rule of Alexander the Great
13. **Hippocrates**—ancient Greek doctor who believed that disease had natural causes that could be studied
14. **immortal**—to live forever
15. **Minoan civilization**—early Greek civilization located on the island of Crete (2500 B.C.)
16. **Mount Olympus**—mountain on which the ancient Greeks believed the gods and goddesses lived
17. **Mycenae**—early Greek civilization located in Peloponnesus (2000 B.C.)
18. **oligarchy**—type of government where only a few people rule the many
19. **Peloponnesus League**—ancient Sparta and her allies

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Vocabulary (cont.)

20. **Peloponnesian War**—ancient conflict between Athens and Sparta (431 B.C.)
21. **polytheism**—belief in more than one god
22. **Plato**—ancient Greek philosopher; student of Socrates.
23. **Pythagoras**—ancient Greek mathematician
24. **Socrates**—ancient Greek philosopher who developed the Socratic method
25. **Sparta**—ancient Greek city-state
26. **thetes**—ancient Athenian craftsman or laborer
27. **Thucydides**—ancient general and historian who fought in and wrote about the Peloponnesian War
28. **Trojan War**—legendary battle between the ancient Greeks and the people of Troy in the 12th or 13th century B.C.