How did the Ancient Greeks Change the World?

Which historical knowledge should I already know?

I am able to place key historical periods (Stone Age, Iron Age, Romans, Egyptians, Vikings and Victorians) in chronological order.

Which historical skills will I have already developed?

Use a variety of resources to learn about the past. I can communicate my learning in a range of ways.

To help me answer the BIG question I will be learning...

- to secure my understanding of chronology and place dates and events on a timeline,
- to use a range of maps to identify how and where the Greek Empire grew,
- how the Ancient Greeks introduced democracy and compare that to Britain's and the school's political system,
- to use a range of sources to make conclusions about the past including the origin of the Olympic games,
- to present my historical findings in a range of ways.

To help me answer the BIG questions I will learn the following words	
Word	Definition
Civilization	A society with a system of government, laws and records
Democracy	A form of government where the people elect (vote) for who they want to represent them.
Crete	The largest Greek island in the Mediterranean.
Mount Olympus	The highest mountain in Greece and the mythological home of the Greek Gods, primarily twelve Olympian Gods.
Oligarchy	A system of government where a small group of people control everything.
Olympics	Sporting event and sacrifice held every four years in honour of Zeus.
Polytheistic	Religious system where people believe in or worship more than one god.
Zeus	The king of gods

Key Facts

The **Ancient Greeks** lived around 3,000 years ago.

A **Greek hero** was a brave and strong man that was favoured by the gods. He performed brave exploits and adventures. Famous Greek Gods include Theseus, Odysseus and Hercules.

Greek mythology consists of all the stories and tales about Greek gods, goddesses and heroes.

The Ancient Greeks built **temples** and offered sacrifices to the major gods. Some of these temples are still standing today.

The twelve **Olympian gods** lived on Mount Olympus and were ruled by Zeus and Hera.



Map of Ancient Greece



