

GREEK EXERCISES

A - exercises

1. Look at a map of the world. Indicate where the ancient Greeks lived.
2. Indicate on the map the other nations the Greeks traded with.
3. Draw a map of Greece during the reign of Alexander the Great.
4. Make a timeline in which you write down the most important moments in Greek history.
5. Describe an ancient Greek city-state. Who was in charge? Who had no power? How did people make money? What kinds of work did the men, women, slaves and children do?
6. Find examples of ancient Greek art (internet, books, etc.).
7. Find examples of how elements of ancient Greek culture continue in the Western World today.
8. What did the world look like, according to the ancient Greeks? Be as complete in your answer as possible.
9. The ancient Greeks believed in many gods. Choose two of them and write down everything you know about them. Think about their how they looked and their character.
10. The Greek gods had supernatural powers, but also human emotions. Give examples of both.
11. Give examples of how the Greeks honored their gods.
12. Make a family tree of the Greek gods. Who is related to whom? How about today?
13. Who are the ancestors of the Greeks, according to them?
14. What similarities do you see between the Greek creation myth and those of other cultures?

B - exercises

Look at a few websites that deal with this culture and choose one or two that have images, sounds or text that you think are useful for preparing your presentation. Make a summary or a sketch of the Greek creation myth on a piece of flip chart paper. As much as possible, try to use the illustrations and images you found on the internet.

Choose one of the following exercises:

1. The Greeks built beautiful temples to honor their gods. Build a temple for one of these gods and during your presentation, explain why you chose this god. Talk about his/her character and deeds.

or

2. The underworld plays an important role in Greek mythology. During your presentation give a tour of the Greek underworld. Who and what do we encounter there? Make drawings and a short play.

C - exercises

What supernatural and what human powers did Zeus have? Do you like Zeus? Explain why or why not.

