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## Ανχιεντ Γρεεχε: Γρεεκ Αχηιεσεμεντσ\*\* Ancient Greece: Greek Achievements\*\*

- Greeks are known for great artwork
  - o Advances in sculpture, painting, and architecture
- Greek statues are known for realism, natural look, and details
- Many Greek statues are displayed around the world today in museums
- Greeks tried to make statues look perfect
  - Studied human body to see how it looked
  - Made statues very life-like
  - Made many statues out of stone and marble
- Greek painting is known for realism and detail
  - Primarily painted on vases and pots
- Pictures often depicted athletic events or myths
- Black and Red are most popular colors
- Many ancient Greek buildings still survive today
  - o Primarily Temples
- Greek buildings are known for their columns
  - Made them look perfectly straight
  - They were actually smaller at the top Optical Illusion
- Greeks believed their buildings should reflect the glory of their cities
- Most impressive building from Ancient Greece is the Parthenon in Athens
  - o Built around 400sBCE
  - o Interior decorated with carvings and more columns
  - Inside was a 40-foot tall statue of Athena
- Parthenon sculptor was Phidias
  - Seen as one of the greatest sculptors in Greek history
- Greeks created new forms of writing
  - Drama and History
  - o Dramas were originally used for religious ceremonies
    - Actors portrayed gods and heroes
    - Eventually dramas began to become entertainment
- 400sBCE Athenians wrote some of the greatest plays in the Ancient World
  - Tragedies and Comedies
- Philosophers were people who sought explanations for the world besides the gods
  - o Believed in the power of the human mind
    - To reason, think, explain, and understand
- Three of the greatest ancient philosophers were Socrates, Plato, and Aristotle
- Socrates is considered one of the greatest Greek philosophers

- o Believed people should never stop looking for knowledge
- Socrates taught by asking questions
  - Called the Socratic Method
  - Socrates tried to make people question their beliefs
- People did not always agree with Socrates' teachings
  - Socrates was arrested and condemned to death
    - Questioning the authority of the gods
- Plato was a student of Socrates
- Plato created a school known as The Academy
  - One of the most prestigious schools in Ancient Greece
- Plato is well-known today for writing The Republic
  - Very important book about the ideal society
- Plato believed only philosophers knew what was best for everyone
- Aristotle was a student of Plato
  - o Arguably the greatest thinker of Ancient Greece
- Aristotle believed people should practice moderation
  - o People should think about their actions and how they affect others
- Aristotle inspired many later scientists and philosophers with his methods of thinking
  - Aristotle was a teacher of Alexander the Great
- The Greeks made many contributions to Math:
  - o Geometry rules (Euclid)
  - Many theories on Volume and Area
  - o Pythagorean Theorem
  - o Accurately calculated the size of the earth
  - o Pi
  - o Beginnings of Calculus
- The Greeks have contributed many things to our modern-day society:
  - Hippocratic Oath (for doctors)
  - Archimedes Screw
  - Democracy
  - o Olympic Games
  - History Writing (Herodotus)

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