

ANCIENT GREECE – WORD LIST

- **ability** = skill, talent that you have
- **amount** = sum
- **ankle** = the flexible part between your foot and leg
- **arrange** = plan, organize
- **art** = the use of painting and drawing to show your ideas
- **barley** = a plant that produces grain which you use for making food and alcohol
- **belt** = band of leather or cloth around your stomach
- **birthplace** = where something is born or starts
- **brick** = a hard block of baked clay
- **carry out** = to do something that is already planned
- **century** = a hundred years
- **citizen** = a person who lives in a country and has rights there
- **command** = to give orders
- **concentrate** = focus on
- **conquer** = to get control of a country by fighting
- **consume** = eat
- **defeat** = to win against someone in a war
- **develop** = grow, to get bigger
- **dominate** = to be in control of
- **drive off** = send away
- **empire** = a group of countries ruled by a king or queen
- **explanation** = the reasons you give for why something happened
- **explore** = to find out new things
- **foretell** = to say what will happen in the future
- **garment** = piece of clothing
- **general** = common
- **general knowledge** = to know a lot about many different fields
- **goddess** = a female god
- **government** = the people who rule a country
- **grain** = seeds of crops that are used as food
- **head** = leader
- **huge** = very big
- **humans** = people
- **independent** = free , not controlled by another country
- **invade** = to enter a country with soldiers
- **jury** = a group of people in a court who decide if a person is guilty or not
- **kingdom** = country ruled by a king or queen
- **leadership** = control
- **linen** = cloth that is made from the flax plant
- **mainland** = the main area of land that forms a country, not the islands around it
- **Mediterranean Sea** = the sea between Europe and Africa
- **mud** = soft, wet earth
- **observe** = watch
- **pass a law** = make a law or rule that others must keep
- **perform** = act out
- **plague** = an illness that leads to the death of many people
- **playwright** = someone who writes plays
- **poet** = a person who writes lines that rhyme
- **possess** = have, own
- **priest** = a person who performs special church events
- **protein** = natural substance that is in food and which you need to grow strong and healthy
- **receive** = get
- **sailor** = someone who works on a ship
- **scientist** = a person who is trained in science
- **sentence** = to give someone punishment
- **serf** = someone who lived in the past and worked on land that did not belong to him
- **set up** = create, organize
- **settle** = to start living in a place
- **slave** = a person who is owned by someone else and works for them
- **society** = people in general
- **soldier** = a person who fights for a country
- **spread** = to share with many people
- **successor** = the person to follow someone
- **surrender** = give up in a war
- **surrounding** = nearby, neighboring
- **teachings** = what a person teaches
- **throughout** = in all of
- **trade** = to buy and sell things
- **unite** = to join together
- **waist** = the narrow part in the middle of your body
- **weak** = not strong
- **wealthy** = rich
- **wheat** = the grain from which you make white bread
- **wisdom** = what you have learned over many years
- **wrestling** = a sport in which two people fight by holding each other and trying to throw each other to the ground