It's All Greek to Me

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CHAPTER 13: EARLY HISTORY OF EUROPE (2000 BC - AD 1500)

- 1. How many years are 2000 B.C. to A.D. 1500?
- 2. What does B.C. stand for? What does A.D. stand for? How did you find out?
- 3. What are city-states and what caused the early Greeks to form them?
- 4. What was the acropolis and what was its use?
- 5. What were some of the advantages of living in city-states for the early Greeks?
- 6. What helped with the growth of a strong Greek culture in the Greek colonies around the Mediterranean Sea and the Black Sea?
- 7. Looking at the map on Page 311, describe the areas where Greek colonies were built.
- 8. What years were the time period known as the "Golden Age" of Greece? What is remarkable about this time period?
- 9. What happened to the Greek city-states as a result of the invasion by Persia in 500 B.C.?

- 10. Which city-state led the Greek army?
- 11. What happened to Greek culture as a result of these wars?
- 12. What were some of the achievements of Pericles, who ruled Athens in the 400's B.C.?
- 13. What was special about the government of Greece at this time?
- 14. How did the Greeks contribute to the study of science, philosophy, and Literature?
- 15. What caused the decline of the Greek city-states?
- 16. Why was this detrimental to Greece?
- 17. Who was Alexander the Great and from what area did he come?
- 18. What were the boundaries of his great empire?
- 19. Why wasn't his empire even larger?
- 20. What does "Hellenistic" refer to?

Main Ideas:

- 1. Early Greek culture saw the rise of the city-state and the creation of colonies.
- 2. The golden age of Greece saw advances in government, art, and philosophy.
- 3. Alexander the Great formed a huge empire and spread Greek culture into many new areas.

