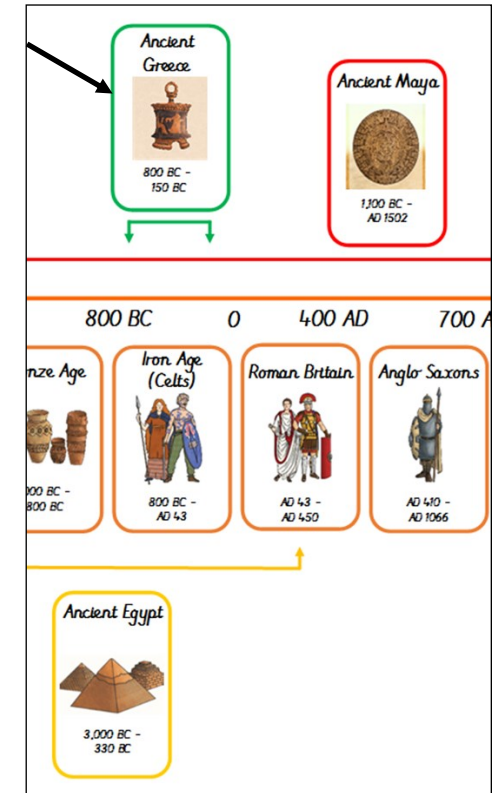


# KEY KNOWLEDGE FACT SHEET YEAR FIVE—ANCIENT GREEKS

## OVERVIEW

- ⇒ The Greek Empire was formed around **800BC** and collapsed around **150BC**.
- ⇒ The Ancient Greeks introduced some of the first examples of **democracy** (voting).
- ⇒ The first **Olympics** was held in ancient Greece, some of the sports and traditions we know today originated then.
- ⇒ The Ancient Greeks were split into different city states. These states had their own governance, way of life, trade and armies which often led wars and conflicts.
- ⇒ The Ancient Greeks often went to war to claim land for their state.
- ⇒ Similar to other ancient civilisations such as the **Ancient Egyptians, Ancient Maya and Romans**, the Ancient Greeks believed Gods and Goddesses controlled different areas of their life, such as farming, war and love. Stories of their lives were taught through **myths**.



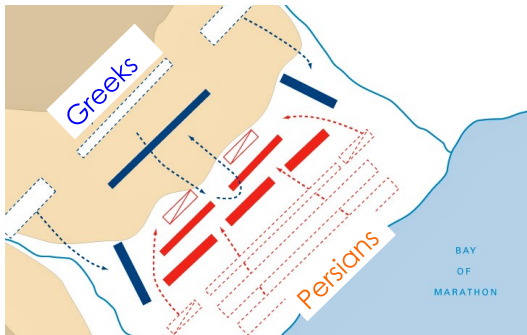
## KEY HISTORY VOCABULARY

amphora  
 Battle of Marathon  
 democracy  
 empire  
 myth  
 Olympics



**Amphora**  
 This is a style of Greek pottery. The amphora was typically used to store both wet and dry goods.

The **Battle of Marathon** took place in 490 BC during the first Persian invasion of Greece. It was fought between the citizens of Athens and the Persians.



Map of the ancient Greek Empire

