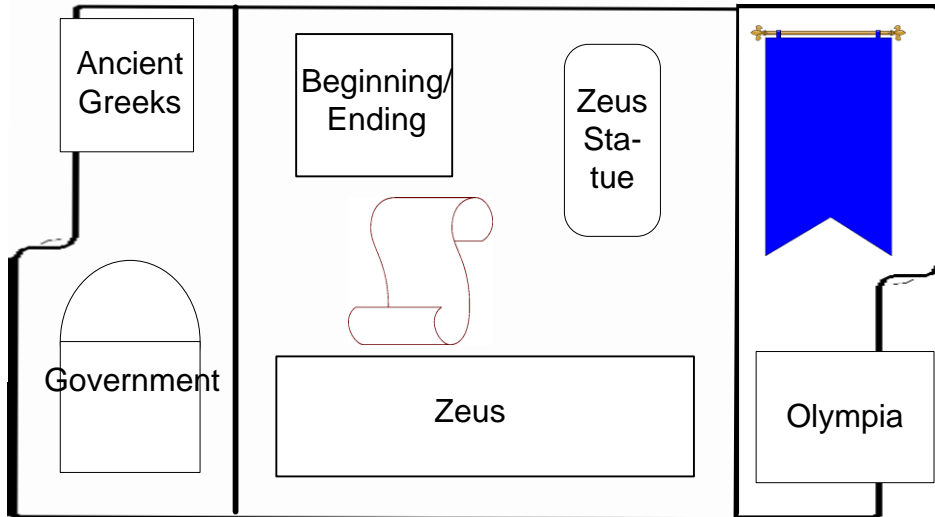
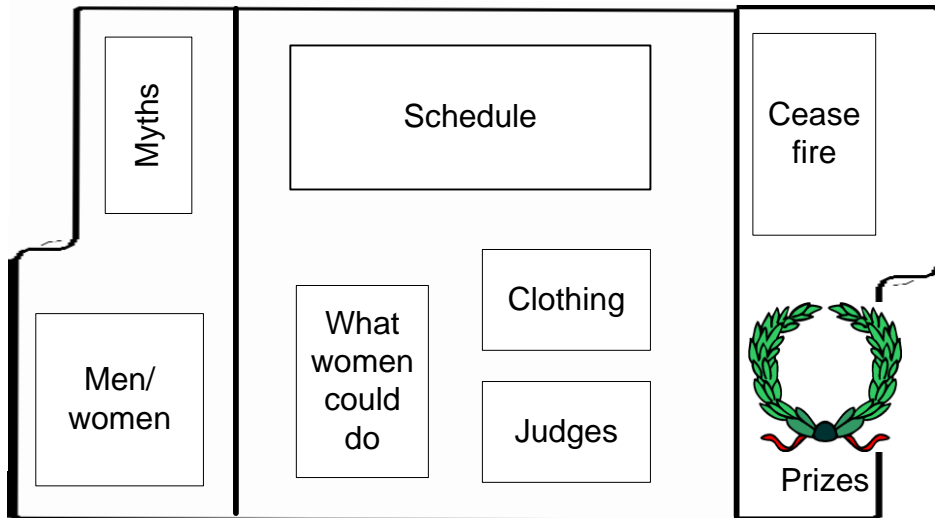


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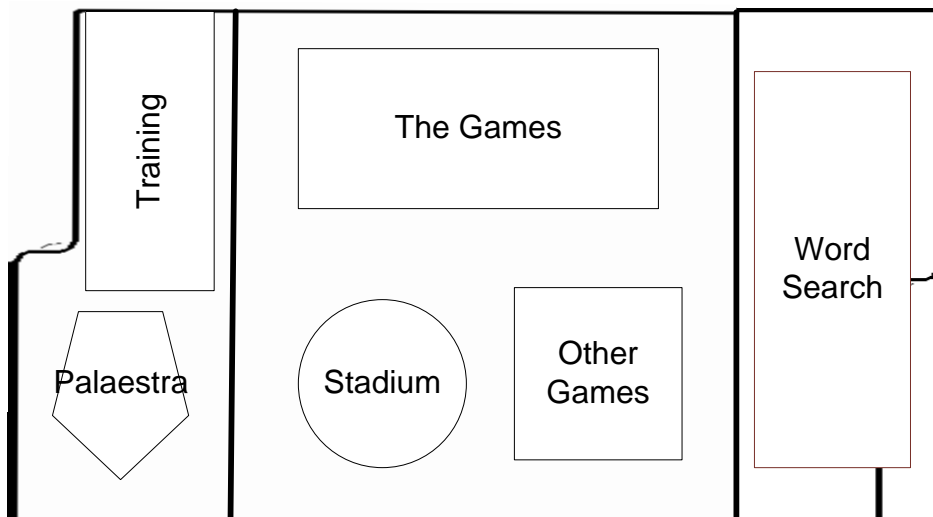


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Who Were The Greeks?

The ancient Greeks lived from around 3,000 B.C. to 140 B.C. The Greek people originated in Greece, but slowly traveled north and east to places we now call Bulgaria, Turkey and around the rocky islands in the Aegean Sea.

The Greeks were very intelligent people. They had a strong army and beautiful homes and buildings. They taught their children to be great thinkers, artists and athletes.

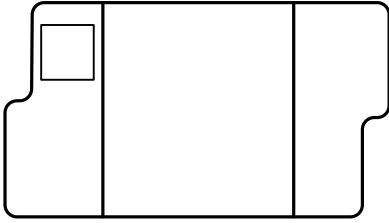
The Greeks were ruled by one of three types of government- an oligarchy, monarchy, and a democracy. An oligarchy is rule by a few very rich and powerful people. A monarchy is government by one person and a democracy is run by its citizens and the rules of laws and votes.

Since education was not free, only the children of the rich attended school. Only boys were sent to school. Girls were educated in the running of the home. At the age of 18, all men were sent to the army and would serve the rest of their lives.

The clothing of the Greeks was light, loose-fitting and comfortable. There were no buttons or zippers. Their garments were called tunics. It was a big square of cloth that was draped around the body held in place by pins at the shoulders and belted around the waist. Most were made of bright colors and decorated with trim. Wool, linen or even silk were used to make the tunics. Both men and women wore makeup.

The Greeks supported themselves by fishing, farming grain and olives, raising sheep, goats and pigs and making and selling leather, tools and weapons. During the Greek Dark Age, people learned to forge iron. They began to make sickles and other farm tools out of this strong metal.

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Read **Who Were The Greeks?**

Cut out as one booklet. Fold down flap and then fold over the other. Glue into lapbook. Cut out the labels and glue onto blank sides of booklet.

Directions: Answer the questions.

Why were the Greeks considered intelligent?

Tell about their educational system.

Tell about their clothing.

How did they support themselves?



The Ancient Greeks

Who was Zeus?

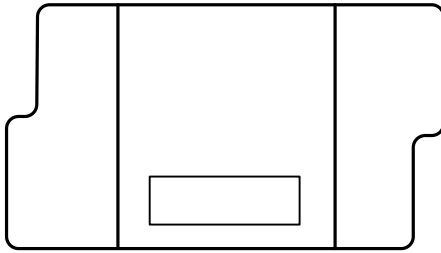
Zeus is probably the most notable character in Greek mythology because he is the king of the gods. He is the god of thunder and sky, and considered the ruler of Mount Olympus. The symbols of Zeus are the thunderbolt, eagle, bull, and oak. Most paintings that we see of Zeus show him in one of two poses- either seated on his throne or standing holding a thunderbolt.

He was the child of Cronus and Rhea and the youngest of his siblings. In some writings, it is stated that he was married to Hera, but in the Iliad written by Homer it states him married to Dione and the father of Aphrodite. The Statue of Zeus, which is located in Olympia, is considered one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World. It was carved by Phidias in the 5th century BC in Olympia, Greece.

The statue is 40 feet high and fills the whole temple in which it is housed. It is made of ivory and accented with gold plating. The base is carved of cedar wood and inlaid with ivory, gold, ebony, and precious stones. He is holding a small statue of Nike, the goddess of victory, and in his left hand, a shining scepter with an eagle perched on it.



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Directions: Fill out information on each subject.



Zeus

What was he the god of?

What are his symbols?

How tall is his statue?

What sets Zeus apart from the other gods?