



## Greece

### *Digital Resources and Children's Books*

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#### **Kid-Friendly Videos:**

Facts about Greece (5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9hIPrZy5BqU>

Introduction to Ancient Greece (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>):  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zsOZujLI4X4&list=PLJuf9HnxGVrxQhBU5Y6OpmzqD1BaXkBW>

Olympics (K-12<sup>th</sup>): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VdHHus8lgYA>

Colors in Greek (K-12<sup>th</sup>): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cMSfZhJ6iDk>

Customs and Communication in Greece (4<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>):  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IEps2bzE0u8>

Greek Gods (3<sup>rd</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N5gRZ-C0vOc>

Socrates (7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sk0oSfivOyc>

What it means to be Greek (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8sLILU3Maa0>

Syrtaki Music (K-12<sup>th</sup>): [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=--KIM\\_KUryw](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=--KIM_KUryw)

An Example of a Zorba Dance (K-12<sup>th</sup>):  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3GACoEVSUiQ>

Geography and Early Greece (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>):  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5FVpL4ma8nQ>

Greek Ideas that Changed the World (K-12<sup>th</sup>):  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QJZ95Mcx0so>

Athens and Sparta (3<sup>rd</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=euZh8KLB5eE>

## **Websites:**

Ancient Greece (K-12<sup>th</sup>): <http://greece.mrdonn.org/>

NatGeo Kids (3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>): <http://kids.nationalgeographic.com/explore/countries/greece/>

Greece (K-5<sup>th</sup>): <http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/greece/today.html>

Greek Myths (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>): <http://greece.mrdonn.org/myths.html>

Greek Art and Architecture (5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>): <http://greece.mrdonn.org/arts.html>

Greek Poetry (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>):

<http://ancienthistory.about.com/cs/language/a/gkpoetstimeline.htm>

Holidays and Traditions in Greece (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> reading, K-12<sup>th</sup> appropriate):

<http://www.mfa.gr/uk/en/about-greece/history-and-culture/culture.html?page=8>

## **Lesson Plans:**

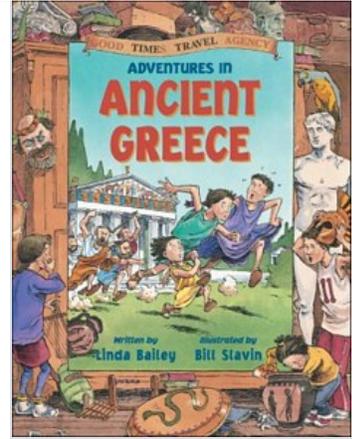
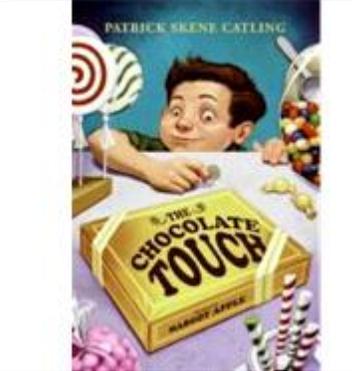
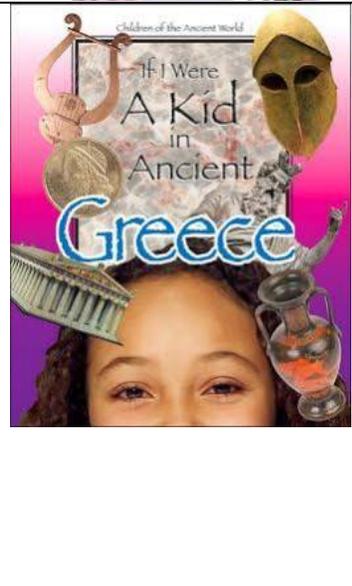
Greek Art (K-12<sup>th</sup>): [http://carlos.emory.edu/sites/default/files/misc-pdfs/Book\\_Lesson.pdf](http://carlos.emory.edu/sites/default/files/misc-pdfs/Book_Lesson.pdf)

Greek Philosophers (K-12<sup>th</sup>):

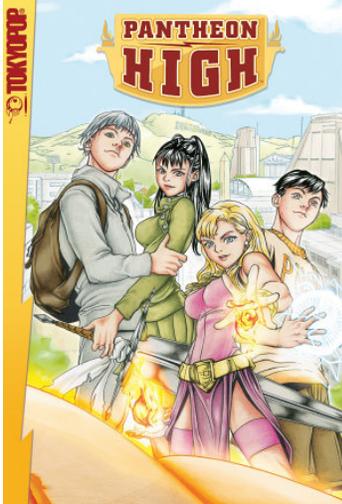
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Greek Philosophers (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>): <http://www.sharemylesson.com/teaching-resource/Ancient-Greek-Philosophers-6148072/>

## Children's Books:

	<p><b>Title:</b> Adventures in Ancient Greece  <b>Author:</b> Linda Bailey &amp; Bill Slavin  <b>Grade:</b> 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>  <b>Publisher:</b> Kids Can Press  <b>ISBN:</b> 1550745360  <b>Summary:</b> Join the Binkertons -- twins Josh and Emma and their little sister Libby -- as they head to the Good Times Travel Agency hoping to visit the next Olympic Games, but end up in Ancient Greece instead! Adventures in Ancient Greece is an exciting mix of adventure and historical information about life in Greece in the fifth century BC. Kids will learn about the Greek gods, the birth of democracy, Greek home life -- and much more.</p>
	<p><b>Title:</b> The Chocolate Touch  <b>Author:</b> Patrick Skene Catling  <b>Grade:</b> 2<sup>nd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>  <b>Publisher:</b> Harper Collins  <b>ISBN:</b> 0688161332  <b>Summary:</b> In a laugh-out-loud hilarious twist on the legend of King Midas, a boy acquires a magical gift that turns everything his lips touch into chocolate. Can you ever have too much of your favorite food? John Midas is about to find out....</p>
	<p><b>Title:</b> If I Were a Kid in Ancient Greece  <b>Author:</b> Lou Waryncia &amp; Keith M. Sheldon  <b>Grade:</b> 2<sup>nd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>  <b>Publisher:</b> Cricket Books  <b>ISBN:</b> 0812679296  <b>Summary:</b> Reminders of Greek culture are everywhere evident today, from bubblegum to plays (Greeks invented both). But what was ancient Greece like for children? As this book explains, youngsters were well educated, sometimes with private teachers. They studied music, practicing as much as three hours a day! They engaged in mock-battles as a way to learn bravery. And they worshipped their gods in temples, just like adults did. This book covers "house rules," gym class, the Olympic games, the Greek gods, pets, and a host of other topics designed to introduce a legendary society to young minds</p>

	<p><b>Title:</b> I Wonder why the Greeks Built Temples: And Other Questions About Ancient Greece  <b>Author:</b> Fiona MacDonald  <b>Grade:</b> K-3<sup>rd</sup>  <b>Publisher:</b> Kingfisher  <b>ISBN:</b> 0753450569  <b>Summary:</b> Browsers and young students alike will enjoy these lively question and answer books with their unique mix of realistic illustration and engaging cartoons. The enticing questions will amaze, amuse and inspire, while the highly visual format encourages kids to keep reading</p>
	<p><b>Title:</b> The Orphan  <b>Author:</b> Anthony Manna &amp; Christodoula Mitakidou  <b>Grade:</b> K-3<sup>rd</sup>  <b>Publisher:</b> Random House Children's Books  <b>ISBN:</b> 037598500X  <b>Summary:</b> Once upon a time in Greece, fate left a young girl an orphan. Her stepmother was so hateful that she counted every drop of water the orphan drank! But with the help of Nature's blessings, the orphan was showered with gifts: brilliance from the Sun, beauty from the Moon, gracefulness from the Dawn—and even a tiny pair of blue shoes from the Sea. When the prince comes to visit their village, he only has eyes for the mysterious beauty.</p>
	<p><b>Title:</b> Z is for Zeus  <b>Author:</b> Helen Wilbur  <b>Grade:</b> K-5<sup>th</sup>  <b>Publisher:</b> Scholastic  <b>ISBN:</b> 1585363413  <b>Summary:</b> Whose face launched a thousand ships? Who dropped an apple to win a race? What creature has the head of a woman, the body of a lion, the wings of an eagle, and always wakes up on the wrong side of the bed? The Oracle knows and so will young readers after they encounter the strange creatures, exotic gods, and exciting stories in Z is for Zeus: A Greek Mythology Alphabet.</p>



**Title:** Pantheon High #1

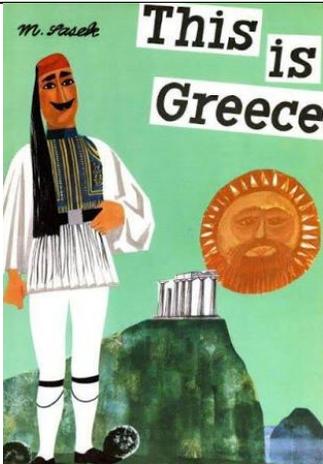
**Author:** Paul Benjamin

**Grade:** 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>

**Publisher:** Tokyopop inc.

**ISBN:** 9781427821867

**Summary:** Imagine a modern-day world in which multiple deities of all religions actually exist - Norse Gods roam Asgard, Greek Gods rule Mount Olympus, Egyptian Gods orbit around Ra, Japanese Gods bestow luck and wisdom - and their demi-god children all attend the same private high school in Los Angeles! These students are the only ones who can stop the plans of the evil gods of several different pantheons who, after seeing their schemes defeated time and time again, have banded together to plunge the world into darkness!



**Title:** This is Greece

**Author:** Miroslav Sasek

**Grade:** 2<sup>nd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>

**Publisher:** Universe

**ISBN:** 0789318555

**Summary:** This is Greece captures the flavor and tradition of the birthplace of Western civilization. There's Athens, with its spectacular views of the Acropolis, the Parthenon, temples, theaters, and marketplaces; architecture-renowned Corinth; Mycenae, inhabited since 3000 B.C.; Olympia, home of the gods; Delphi, famous for its legendary oracle; and the beautiful isles. There's also modern-day Greece, where life is lived on street corners, in squares, and at tables amid reminders of the past