Greece

Digital Resources and Children’s Books

Updated 4/2021

Kid-Friendly YouTube Clips:

Greece Today

Welcome to Greece: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bp5Cz-gcxQk
Introduction to Greek Culture: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W8SxFUmgejI
Greek Worry Beads: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mpnCGjRuTOA&t=4s
Geography Now, Greece: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Cp3yabqF4Uw
History of Athens: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g22kEXsxz2M
The Ten Best Greek Islands: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=btq_qoa5cfg
A Greek Island Welcomes Syrian Refugees: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pwa9KPxbZWQ
The Greek Islands in the USA: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=25EUVdVbG2A
Syrtaki Music: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=--KIM_KUriw
Greek Folk Dance: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3GACoEVSUio
Traditional Dress in Greece: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dBBUrzeZ6sE
The Greek Fisherman’s Cap: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0JV-9CF1vEs
Traditional Fishing, Marine Research: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uFACp4talsU
Traditional Children’s Games: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BqcnTEiwLsm
The Art of Making Greek Olive Oil: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FZDr9WKIB0o
11 Top Greek Foods in Athens: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yx0Xe36imbE
The Wildlife of Greece: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ppwzbaAv3Lc
The Greek Language: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0IB5SKG3no0
Ancient Greece

Local Field Trip Idea

Portland Hellenic American Cultural Center: https://hellenicamericancc.org/

Ancient Greece for Kids: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RchSJSJAbc0

City of Sparta in Ancient Greece: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dd4Av1xK7m0

Socrates, Father of Western Philosophy: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CylKayNXTPY

Philosophy, Plato: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VDiyQub6vpw

Philosophy, Aristotle: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=csIw4W_DYX4

Geometry and the Pythagoreans: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=THtc8pDU7J8

Religion in Ancient Greece: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dd4Av1xK7m0

The Greek Gods: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N5gRZ-C0vOc

Ancient Greek Festivals: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kokyMtA3MEg

All about the Olympics: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uSf7-LsmU3Y

Ancient Greek Art History: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qTKgfS1QwLk

Ancient Greek Poetry: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9mwRnPykvVo

Reading Homer’s Odyssey, Everything You Need to Know: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8Z9FQxcCAZ0

Music in Ancient Greek Culture: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SnGRwO4KvWg

Pottery in Ancient Greece: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-97BkWNxvG0

Secrets of the Acropolis: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NfGdWhhjptk

Day in the Life of the Architect of the Parthenon: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tuZcS2Flabw

The Greatest Greek Theater: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2CVO9Vd067U

Aristophanes, Father of Comedy: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=arQ6U3ev5ic

Fashion in Ancient Greece: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MEXR7KQtSos

Greek Mythology Stories: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JJ7BBjoxA14

The Myth of Arachne: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XvUHcsZOuJ8

The Oracle of Delphi: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RGG2rDNX_xU
Websites:

Overview of Greece: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Greece
Traditions and Culture in Greece: https://internationalliving.com/countries/greece/traditions-and-culture-in-greece/
The Greek Orthodox Church: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Greek_Orthodox_Church
Ancient Greek Poetry: https://hellenism.net/greece/ancient-greek-literature/greek-poetry/
The Richness of Greek Embroidery: https://www.sympossio.gr/handicrafts-the-collective-greek-soul/
Classic Greek Dishes: https://www.thespruceeats.com/classic-greek-favorites-1705422
The First Olympic Games in Greece: https://www.olympic.org/ancient-olympic-games

Lesson Plans:

Lesson Planet, Greece: https://www.lessonplanet.com/lesson-plans/greece/all
6th Grade Ancient Greece Lesson Plans: https://knilt.arcc.albany.edu/Its%27s_All_Greek_To_Me!
Ancient Greek and Roman Art at the Getty: http://www.getty.edu/education/teachers/classroom_resources/curricula/ancient_art/
Greek Art Lessons: https://www.pinterest.com/lisaswinter/greek-art-lessons/
How to make Greek Worry Beads: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Se-sgCTfjZA
| Title: Adventures in Ancient Greece  
Author: Linda Bailey & Bill Slavin  
Grade: 4th-6th  
Publisher: Kids Can Press  
ISBN: 1550745360  
Summary: 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. |
|---|
| Title: The Chocolate Touch  
Author: Patrick Skene Catling  
Grade: 2nd-8th  
Publisher: Harper Collins  
ISBN: 0688161332  
Summary: 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…. |
| Title: If I Were a Kid in Ancient Greece  
Author: Lou Waryncia & Keith M. Sheldon  
Grade: 2nd-7th  
Publisher: Cricket Books  
ISBN: 0812679296  
Summary: 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. |
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Title</th>
<th>I Wonder why the Greeks Built Temples: And Other Questions About Ancient Greece</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Author</td>
<td>Fiona MacDonald</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Grade</td>
<td>K-3rd</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Publisher</td>
<td>Kingfisher</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ISBN</td>
<td>0753450569</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Summary</td>
<td>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</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Title</th>
<th>The Orphan</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Author</td>
<td>Anthony Manna &amp; Christodoula Mitakidou</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Grade</td>
<td>K-3rd</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Publisher</td>
<td>Random House Children’s Books</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ISBN</td>
<td>037598500X</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Summary</td>
<td>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.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Title</th>
<th>Z is for Zeus: A Greek Mythology Alphabet</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Author</td>
<td>Helen Wilbur</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Grade</td>
<td>K-5th</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Publisher</td>
<td>Scholastic</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ISBN</td>
<td>1585363413</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Summary</td>
<td>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.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Title</td>
<td>Author</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>------------------------</td>
<td>----------------------</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pantheon High #1</td>
<td>Paul Benjamin</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>This is Greece</td>
<td>Miroslav Sasek</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>