

If you can't go out, why not travel the world from home?

This week we travel to Greece.



Greek Mythology



Ancient Greeks invented myths to understand the world around them. They imagined gods and goddesses, heroes and mythical monsters! You can read or listen to some popular myths here:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/ks2-ancient-greece/zk73nrd>

Design your own mythical monster:



<http://www.thestoryelves.com/invent-your-own-mythical-creature/>

Olympic Games



Did you know that the Olympic Games originated in Ancient Greece? They were a religious festival held in a small town called Olympia and the winner's prize was an olive wreath. You can find out more in this video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VdHHus8lgYA>

Mosaic Art

Mosaics are pictures made up of tiny pieces of marble, glass or stone. They were very popular in Ancient Greece. To make your own mosaic, tear up pieces of different coloured paper into small pieces. Draw a picture on a piece of white paper and fill it in using the pieces. If you don't have coloured paper handy, you can use recycled paper like magazines.



Greek Salad



Greece is famous for its delicious food. Have you ever tried Greek salad? Yummy! You can watch a popular Greek chef preparing salad by the seaside here (Caution: uses a sharp kitchen knife, adult supervision required):

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iFC7-urzfXw>

Make your own Greek salad:

https://www.bbc.co.uk/food/recipes/greek_salad_16407

Dance

Dance has always played an important role in Greek life. Watch a traditional dance here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=par4zqR6n80>

Why not have a go yourself!

Yassu (Hello)

Did you know that Greek is one of the oldest languages in the world? Words like *geography*, *democracy*, *grammar*, *architect*, *economy*, *telephone*, *microscope*, *theatre*... come from Greek! Do you know what the Greek alphabet looks like? Have a look at the picture below. In fact, the word alphabet is Greek, too!

Α Β Γ Δ Ε Ζ Η Θ
Ι Κ Λ Μ Ν Ξ Ο Π
Ρ Σ Τ Υ Φ Χ Ψ Ω
α β γ δ ε ζ η θ ι κ λ μ
ν ξ ο π ρ σ τ υ φ χ ψ

Learn a few Greek words here:

<https://www.newburyparkschool.net/lotm/greek/player.html>

Find out more...

- Find out where Greece is on a map.
- What is the capital city of Greece?
- Greece is a small country, yet it has the longest coastline in Europe. Can you find out why this is?

There are no limits to what you can discover!