

Ancient Greece: The Olympics

<p>Aim: Understand how our knowledge of the past is constructed from a range of sources e.g. Greek vases. Note connections, contrasts and trends over e.g. how the Olympics have changed over time but how some features have remained.</p> <p>I can learn about the past from sources including art.</p>	<p>Success Criteria: I can tell you why pottery can give us information about the Ancient Greek Olympic Games.</p> <p>I can explain how important the Ancient Games were to the modern Olympic Games and say what is the same and what has changed.</p> <p>I can describe the modern day Olympic games.</p>	<p>Resources: Lesson Pack</p>
	<p>Key/New Words: sprint, wrestling, boxing, long jump, javelin, discus, chariot racing, pentathlon, pankration.</p>	<p>Preparation: Photo Pack per table. Comparing the Ancient and Modern Olympic Games Activity Sheet. Glue and scissors as required.</p>

Learning Sequence

	<p>Modern Olympics: Ask the children about the most recent Olympic Games. What do they remember? What events can they remember? Discuss and share.</p> <p>Can you describe the modern day Olympic Games?</p>	
	<p>Ancient Greek Olympics: Explain how the Olympics started in Ancient Greece and was a huge event. The different states were often at war but there was always peace during the games as it was a religious event.</p> <p>How does pottery help us find out what happened? How do we know about these events? What is our evidence? Look at different paintings and pottery which show the events.</p>	
	<p>What event? Children to look at Greek Vases in the Photo Pack and try to work out what sport is depicted on each vase.</p>	
	<p>The Legacy: What events are still played at the Olympics today? What legacy has been left behind? Children to list Ancient Greek Olympic events and Modern Olympic events.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Comparing the Ancient and Modern Olympic Games Activity Sheet children stick cut up events into Ancient / Modern / both Olympics on a venn diagram.</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Comparing the Ancient and Modern Olympic Games Activity Sheet; children complete a venn diagram of ancient / modern / both events.</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Comparing the Ancient and Modern Olympic Games Activity Sheet children complete a venn diagram of ancient / modern / both events and include a description of each of the events in their diagram.</p> </div> </div>	
	<p>Guess the event! Children to pose in an Olympic event stance (like the pots) and the rest of the class have to guess the event!</p>	

Taskit

Playit: Play the [Ancient Olympic Board Game](#).

Makeit: Make Greek vases / pots out of clay and paint a scene showing one of the Olympic events.

Linkit: Re-enact the Olympic Games in PE! Try out as many of the different events as you can. (But avoid wrestling and boxing!)