

Task cards are designed to help students focus on one question at a time, rather than be intimidated by a long list of questions.

These 32 task cards can be printed and used on their own, or with the book:

Ancient Greeks

use the book 503 Ancient Greeks

They are designed to ask questions that relate to parts of the English, Social Sciences (Geography, History, Civics), and Science, Mathematics and Technology core curricular in a way which does not straightjacket a topic into any particular subject area, and encourages students to ask a range of questions about a topic.

They can be used

- at the start of a day to encourage students to extract information from a primary resource (a video), and also research aspects of the topic in more depth by using the search button.
- as reinforcement challenge for students who have learned a topic.
- as homework.

Each student can be given from one to all of the questions. Each student should be encouraged to say out the question and answer they have given, and justify what they have concluded.

Note also that task cards are questions. These ones are designed to be accessible to a wide range of ages and abilities. As a result, the same question can be asked of a wide range of students. It is the level and complexity of the answer that should vary. You don't have to provide complex questions to require complex answers!

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Ancient Greeks

Geography – Greece
Where is Greece, and what
are its neighbouring
countries? (p4)

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History – Time line

Ancient Greece was in the
Bronze Age. What was the
Bronze Age? (p4)

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Ancient Greeks

City states – Athens

What was it about the
landscape that kept people
apart in separate cities? (p4)

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Ancient Greeks

Civics – Democracy

What is democracy, and when
did it start in Greece? (p6)

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Ancient Greeks

Famous people – Biography

When did Alexander the Great live? (p7)

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Conquerors – Romans

When did the Romans conquer Greece (p7)

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Ancient Greeks

Geography – Rocks

What kind of landscape is Greece mainly made from, and why did it make farming more difficult? (p8)

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Geography – Seasons

What is summer like in Greece? How did this affect what the Ancient Greeks grew? (p9)

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Religion – Gods

What was the collection of main gods called? (p10)

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Religion – Gods

Choose one of the gods, and write down a summary of what they were important for. (p11)

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Religion – Sanctuary

What was a sanctuary, and who was supposed to live there? (p12)

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Religion – Temple

What was the main feature inside the temple? (p13)

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Religion – Gods

What was the high sacred place in Athens called? (p14)

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Ancient Greeks

Religion – Gods

What were the names of the main buildings on the Acropolis? (p14-15)

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Life – Architecture

How did the weather affect the way homes were built? (p16)

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Life – Market

What was the main market area called? (p17)

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Life – Clothes

What was the most common piece of clothing called, and how was it made? (p18-19)

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Religion – Theatre

What was the purpose of the theatre? (p20)

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Life – Architecture

Where did the Greeks have to build their theatres? (p21)

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Life – Stories

What were myths and fables? (p22)

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Heroes – Herakles

Who was Herakles, and what did he do? (p25)

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Life – School

Write out your name using Greek letters. (p26)

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Life – School

What was the difference between school life in Athens and Sparta? (p26-7)

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Life – School

What happened to school-aged girls in Ancient Greece? (p26)

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Art – Temples

There were two different styles of column tops in Greek temples. What were they called? (p29)

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Life – Slaves

What were slaves used for in Ancient Greece? (p31)

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Life – Sparta

What was it like to grow up in Sparta? (p32)

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Life – Army

What was a hoplite, and what did he wear? (p35)

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War – Marathon

What was the Battle of Marathon for? (p36)

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Life – Games

Where were the Olympic Games held? (p40)

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Ancient Greeks

Life – Games

What was the main racetrack like, and where did spectators sit? (p42)

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Ancient Greeks

Life – Games

What was unusual about the dress of athletes? (p36)