

## FACT FILE ANCIENT GREECE

*Not alpha, bravo, Charlie, delta...*

The ancient Greek alphabet did indeed use the letters alpha and delta, but they used lots of other letters too, some of which are still used in modern Greek today.

<b>Α</b> Alpha (al-fah)	<b>Β</b> Beta (bay-tah)	<b>Γ</b> Gamma (gam-ah)	<b>Δ</b> Delta (del-ta)	<b>Ε</b> Epsilon (ep-si-lon)	<b>Ζ</b> Zeta (zay-tah)
<b>Η</b> Eta (ay-tah)	<b>Θ</b> Theta (thay-tah)	<b>Ι</b> Iota (eye-o-tah)	<b>Κ</b> Kappa (cap-pah)	<b>Λ</b> Lambda (lamb-dah)	<b>Μ</b> Mu (mew)
<b>Ν</b> Nu (new)	<b>Ξ</b> Xi (zie)	<b>Ο</b> Omicron (om-e-cron)	<b>Π</b> Pi (pie)	<b>Ρ</b> Rho (roe)	<b>Σ</b> Sigma (sig-mah)
<b>Τ</b> Tau (taw)	<b>Υ</b> Upsilon (up-si-lon)	<b>Φ</b> Phi (fie)	<b>Χ</b> Chi (kie)	<b>Ψ</b> Psi (sigh)	<b>Ω</b> Omega (oh-may-gah)

### Ancient Greece in three parts!



#### Series one: Archaic

750 - 500 BCE

- *Big steps in Art: especially pottery and sculpture,*
- *Democracy begins!*
- *Re-discovery of written language - it had been lost in the Dark Ages!*

#### Series two: Classical

500 - 336 BCE

- *Democracy really takes off under Pericles,*
- *The magnificent Parthenon was built*
- *Philosophy schools of Socrates and Plato were started.*

#### Series three: Hellenistic

336 - 146 BCE

- *Alexander the Great conquers Persia*
- *Romans storm Ancient Greece - the end of an empire!*

# OLIVES

**Oh yes! Oh my! Oh wow! O Olive!**

cooking in olive oil      olive oil hand cream  
olive oil lamps      olive oil soap  
olive bread      olive medicines

### Startling facts!

Over 2000 islands!

Really high mountains  
Mount Olympus 2915m

Corinth Canal carved 4 miles through rock!

And it can get cold...  
only 13° in winter! Brrrrr...



### What to wear...?

*One-piece suits made from wool or linen - sometimes with a cloak!*

