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The first people lived in Greece at around 3000 BCE, on the island of Crete.



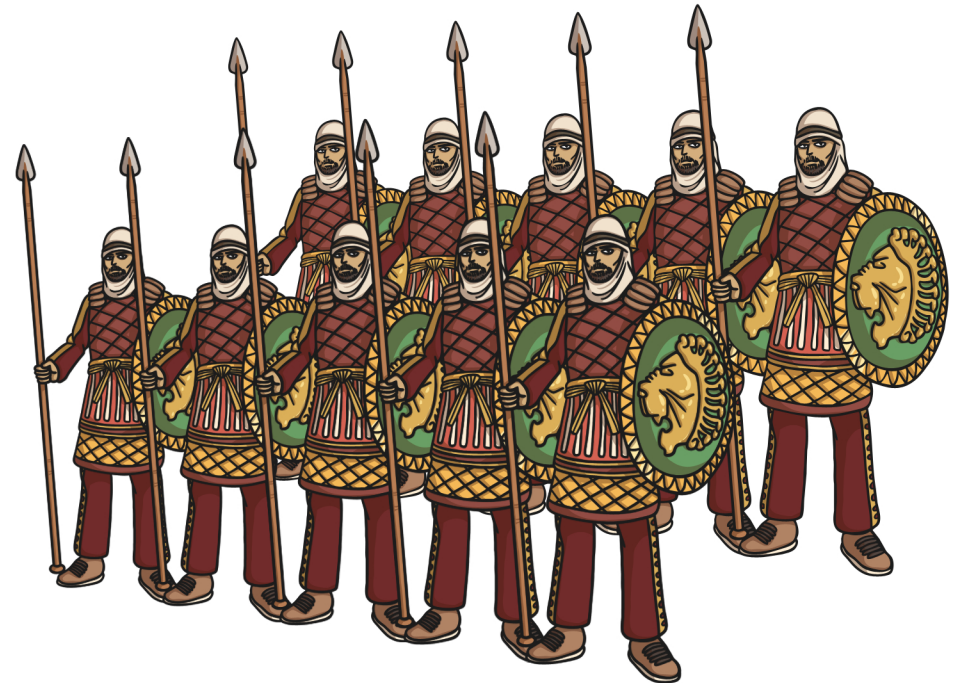
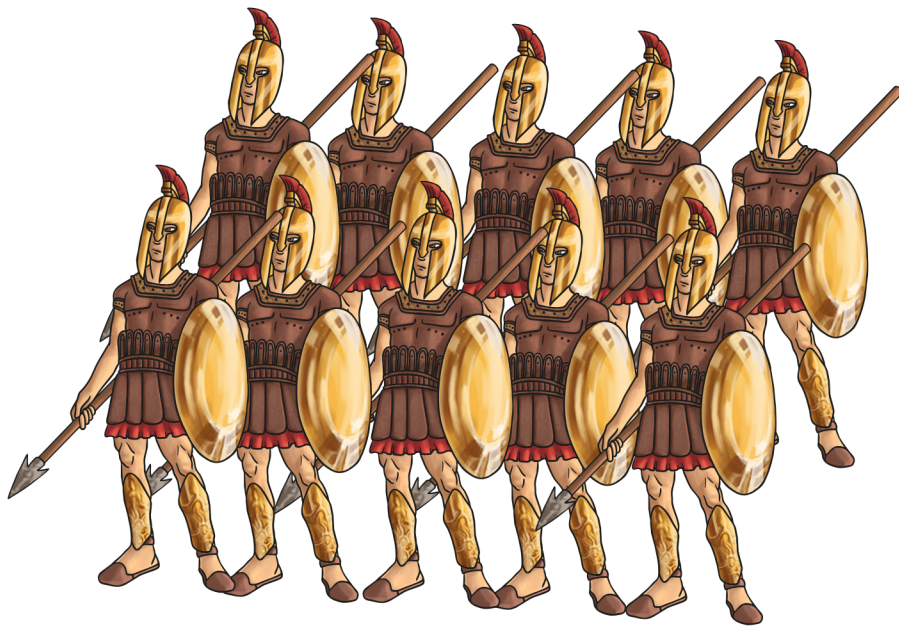
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The first Olympic Games were held in 776 BCE at the Greek city of Olympia.



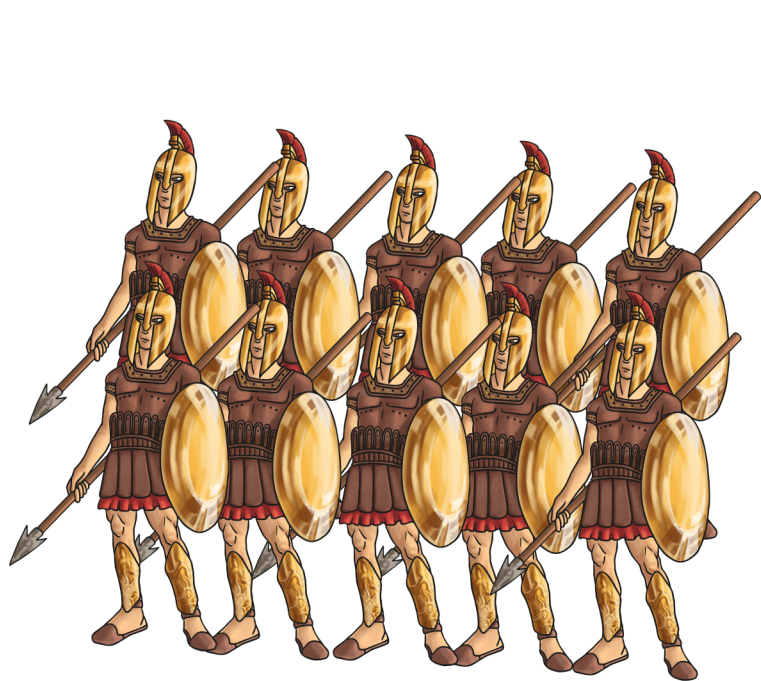
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The Greeks fought many battles against the Persian Empire, which is now Iran and Afghanistan. One of the wars lasted 10 years.



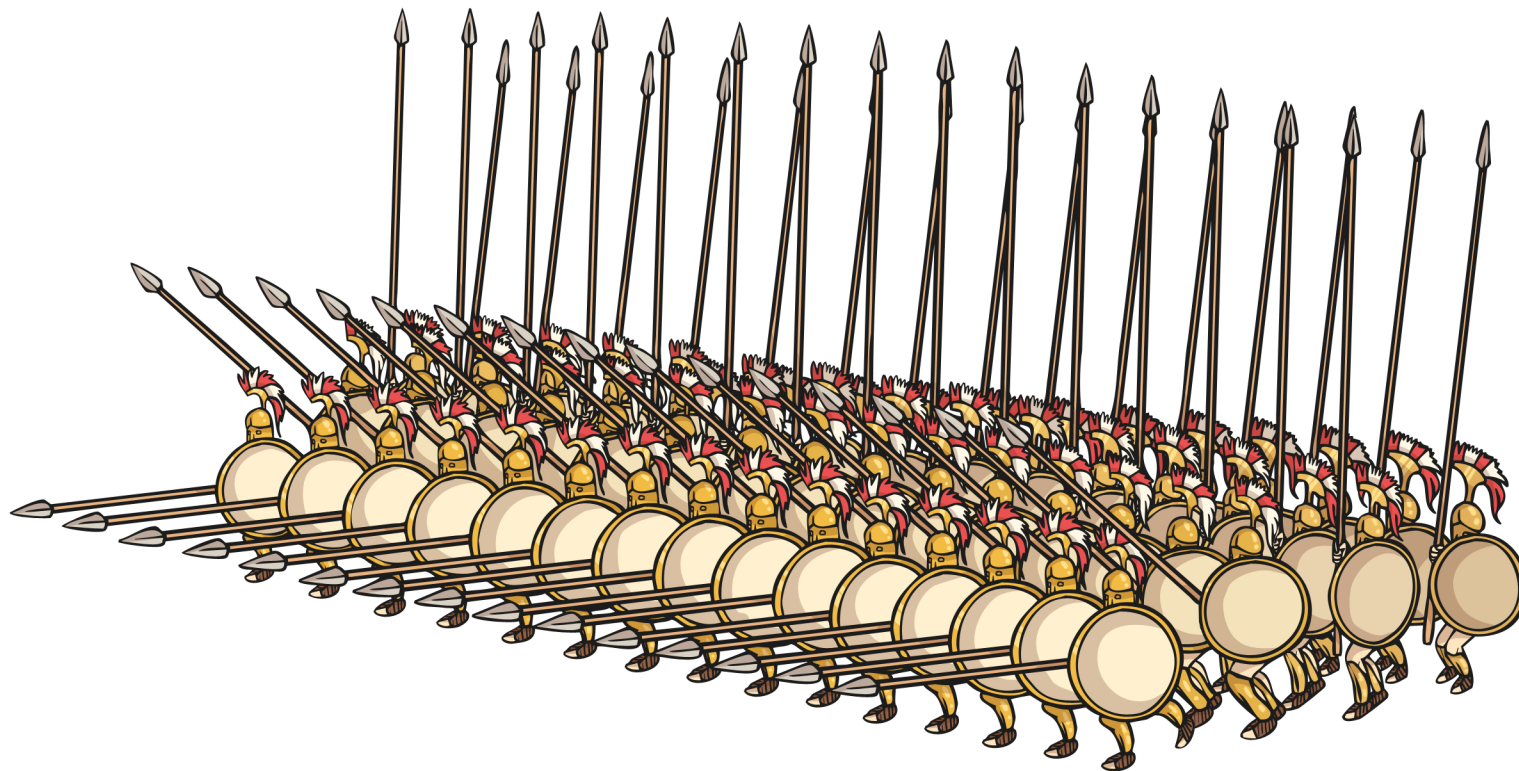
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The battle of Marathon is one of the most famous Greek victories. They won a war with 10,000 men against 20,000 Persians.



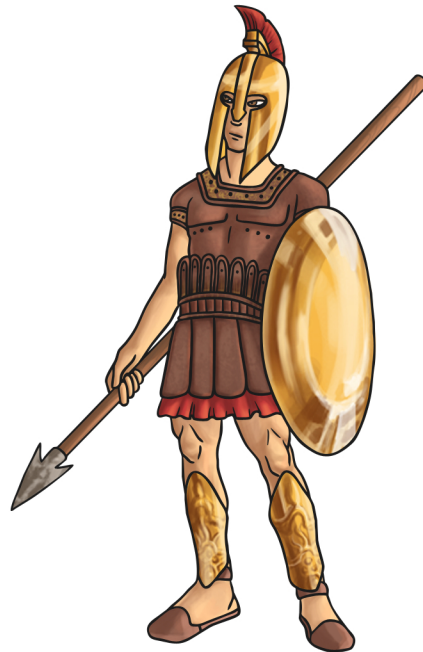
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Sparta had the best trained army. The Spartans were strict and trained very hard.



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A Spartan boy would start training to be a soldier at age 7. They were trained to fight, steal food and live in the wild.



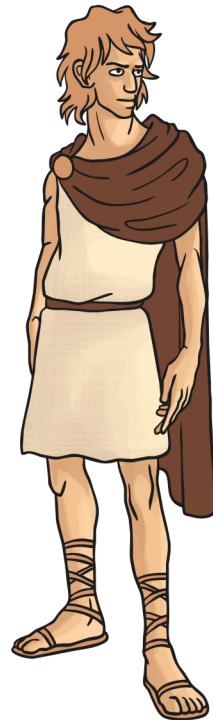
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The Marathon is named after the battle of Marathon. It is the same distance a man named Pheidippides ran to tell Athens of their victory.



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The Ancient Greeks started the theatre. Only men or boys could perform and the crowd could reach over 15,000 people.



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The Greeks believed in many gods. A lot of the gods lived in a cloud-palace above Mount Olympus and would look down over the humans.



Hermes



Poseidon



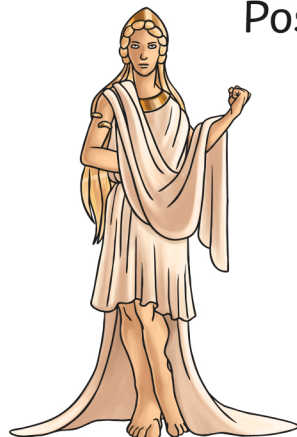
Zeus



Hades



Dionysus



Hera



Hestia

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The Ancient Greeks had slaves. Some of the richer families had around 50 slaves. Slaves had no rights and did all the hard work.



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Ancient Greece was split up into smaller areas called city-states. These include Athens, Sparta, Corinth and Olympia.

