#### Where in the world?









## The Ancient Greeks

LO. To write a postcard to describe the location and landscape of Ancient Greece

**Activity:** 

**Begin by completing the first two columns of 'Introduction to Ancient Greece**!' If you can't print off the worksheet then copy it onto paper as neatly as possible.

# Who were the Ancient Greeks?





★ An ancient (*meaning from a very long time ago*) civilisation from around 700 B.C.

- ★ They were great thinkers and inquirers many of their ideas are still used today (over 2,700 years later!):
  - ★ Philosophy
  - ★ Architecture (*buildings*)
  - ★ Words
  - ★ Drama, poems and stories
  - ★ Education
  - ★ History
  - $\star$  Science
  - ★ Democracy

Did you know? The Ancient Greeks called their land Hellas, and called themselves Hellenes

## Where are the Ancient Greeks from?

★ The ancient Greeks lived in Greece, a country in southern Europe which is still around today.



Modern Greece is in Europe, and is situated on the Mediterranean Sea, between Italy and Turkey. The country is made up of a mainland and over 2000 islands. It has many beaches, mountains and islands and its capital city, Athens, has an average temperature of 26 degrees. The people who live there are called Greeks.



#### A closer look...

★ The close-up map shows how Greece is made up of one large island, and lots of smaller islands.
★ The dots on the map show the major cities of Athens (the capital

> of modern day Greece), Sparta and Troy – we'll be learning about all of these places as part of our topic.

# Challenge time

- \* On the next slide you will see six pictures.
- \* Choose one picture.
- \* In <u>one sentence</u> describe it in as much detail as you can.
- \* Now read your sentence to someone at home. Can they guess which picture?
- \* How did they know?

### Have you chosen your picture?













#### Your task

\* Your task is to write a postcard from Ancient Greece describing all the things you can see around you.

\* Remember to add as much description as possible to your writing.

\* Use the prompt sheets to help you.

\* Good luck!

It's all very well being an excellent thinker and having fantastic and important ideas – but you have to be able to share them!

Luckily, we ancient Greeks were brilliant at sharing our thoughts through stories and writing things down, which is why people know so much about the ancient Greeks today! Stay tuned for Lesson 2 for more!