

Geography



- Mountainous terrain
- Lack of arable land
- Located on Balkan Peninsula
- Aegean Sea at heart of civilization
- Black & Med. Seas – colonization
- Dardanelles – access to the Black Sea

Governments

- Individual cities = Individual Governments
- Monarchy: Aristocracy: Tyranny
- Oligarchy – Sparta
- Direct Democracy - Athens

City-States

The Polis

- Athens
 - Education
 - Government
 - Economy
 - Democracy
- Sparta
 - Militaristic
 - Oligarchy

Ancient Greece

Greek Golden Age

Religion

Greek Wars

Hellenic Culture

“Golden Age of Pericles”

- **Drama:** Aeschylus, Sophocles
- **Poetry:** Homer
 - *Iliad, Odyssey*
- **History:** Herodotus, Thucydides
- **Sculpture:** Phidias
- **Philosophy:** Socrates, Plato, Aristotle
- **Medicine:** Hippocrates



- Polytheistic
- Explained natural phenomena
- Expressed human frailties/emotions



The Parthenon

Roots of Democracy

- Tyrant Reformers
 - Draco – Law Code
 - Solon – Outlaws debt slavery
- Pericles – extends citizenship
- Citizens
 - Male-landowners
 - Responsibility of civic participation

DIRECT DEMOCRACY

“United we stand, divided we fall”

Persian Wars

- Greek city-states united
- Battles
 - Marathon
 - Salamis
- Athens becomes dominant city-state

Peloponnesian Wars

- Greek Civil War
- Delian League vs. Peloponnesian League
- Sparta victorious
- Weakens Greek City-states



Doric



Ionic



Corinthian