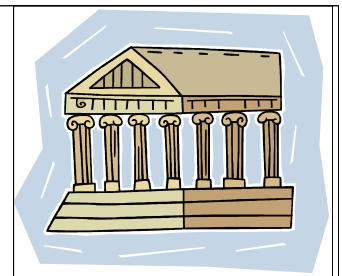




Locate these places on your map of Ancient Greece.  
Some have place names already marked but others do not.  
Choose the fact you think is the most important and add it too.



### **Ilium**

Another name for this city was Troy. It was on the eastern shores of the Aegean Sea in the area known as Phrygia. A famous battle took place here which was ended by a wooden horse!

### **Sparta**

This is found on the peninsula to the south of Greece. It was little more than a group of villages built around a central hill. It became the chief Greek city for short time after it won a war against Athens. The Spartan army was the bravest of all Greek armies

### **Mount Olympus**

This mountain is still the tallest on mainland Greece at 2,917 metres. The Greeks believed it was the home of their gods and goddesses. It is situated north of Thessaly

### **Macedonia**

This is in the far north. Its name came from a word meaning 'highlanders'. It was the home of the powerful Philip II and his son Alexander the Great

### **Delphi**

This place can be found on the Greek mainland just north of Peloponnesus. The Ancient Greeks believed this was the very centre of the world. They built one of their most important shrines here.

### **Marathon**

This place was where a famous battle took place between a small Greek army and a much larger army from Persia. The Greek army was victorious, saving Athens from being attacked. Marathon is a short distance north west of Athens, just where the coast bends and goes directly north.

### **Athens**

If you cross the strip of land from Peloponnesus towards the mainland and head east you will arrive at the city of Athens. It was named after Athena, goddess of wisdom and became the most important city in Greece. The idea of democracy - 'power by the people' - began here. The famous Parthenon Temple was built on a hill above the city

### **Olympia**

Olympia is situated on the peninsula of Peloponnesus. It was the giant sports complex where the Olympic Games festival was held. This was the most important Greek festival and took place every four years in honour of Zeus. The statue of Zeus at Olympia was one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World

### **Corinth**

The city state of Corinth had 900 square kilometres of mountains and farms. It was situated between the two other city states of Sparta and Athens. From the name 'Corinth' we get the English word 'currant' - for small black grapes which have been dried in the sun. Unlike Athens, Corinth was ruled by an 'Oligarchy' which means 'government by a group of people'.

### **Peloponnesus**

This jagged shaped peninsula in the south is also referred to as Peloponnese. It is joined to the rest of the mainland by a strip of land only 11 kilometres wide. Its name means 'Island of Pelops' Pelops was a prince in a Greek story. Ancient Greek civilisation began in this part of Greece and the entrance to Hades is believed to be on its northernmost coast