

## Greek inventions

Do you think we invented everything? Well we didn't. The Greeks lots of stuff that we still use today like alarm clocks and medicine and even the Olympics.

### Medicine

The Greeks didn't mix with diseases as curing them was not their strong point. They thought that when you got a disease it was a way for you to get punished. In 460BC a hypocrite was born and he discovered that they were not used for punishment because he collected data and he started to conduct experiments and found out that the diseases was made from a natural process.

### Olympics

What do you watch on TV? The Olympics maybe. How did it all happen? It all started with the Ancient Olympics which was more than 2700 years ago until Pierre de Coubertin-the founder of international Olympic committee- held the very first modern Olympics in 1896. The Ancient Olympics was dedicated

to the Olympian gods and took place on the plains of Olympia.

The Ancient Olympic Games was held in Greece and they had a lot of different sporting events in cities. The most famous games were at Olympia and it took place every 4 years just like our Olympics now.

### Democracy

Democracy shows that every citizen has an equal chance and right. We use democracy to choose who should be in charge and who should decide to make the rules and laws. Democracy is used a lot when it comes to the government. We did not invent it though, the Greeks did.

Although democracy can be traced back to other places in the world they do believe that the initial idea came from Ancient Athens around 508BC. Can you imagine what life would be like without a leader.

### Alarm Clock

One of the most incredible gadgets was the alarm clock which was cleverly designed by the Greeks too. The

alarm clock was a way to alarm you when to do something. This gadget has definitely upgraded over the years from being mechanical to electrical.

There was a lot of different types of them like a water clock (where water drops into a pot and it gets to a certain level a lever will pull and make a loud sound).

Would you like to be around with the Greeks? They invented so many things that we still use today.