

EXPLORE IT! • ANCIENT GREECE

Tour a Greek Temple and the First Olympic Stadium

Key Ideas

Keep these ideas in mind as you complete the immersive.

- Athletics and religion helped create a sense of cultural unity for the people of widely dispersed Greek city-states that were often at war with one another.
- Greek temples were carefully designed and situated.
- Religion and athletics were closely connected in ancient Greece.

Vocabulary Practice

English vocabulary has inherited many Greek words. Explain the origin of each English word that appears in the word bank by filling in each blank in the sentences that follow.

| WORD BANK | |
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| discus | hippodrome |
| hygienic | symmetry |
| pentathlon | stadium |

1. The word _____ comes from the Greek *symmetros*, meaning “agreement in dimensions.”
2. Our word _____ combines *pent*, meaning “five,” and *athlon*, meaning “contest.”
3. Hygieia, goddess of health, lives on in our adjective _____, used to describe any practice meant to preserve health.
4. The English word _____ comes from the Greek *stadion*, or “running track.”
5. A word that combines *hippos*, meaning “horse,” and *dromos*, meaning “course,” would be _____.
6. The word _____ comes from the Greek *diskos*, or “disk.”