

Contributions to western civilization by the ancient greeks



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He suggests that it is good to discover yourself, know what you want out of life, think about choices and make smart ones, plan ahead, remember every memory, and to try your hardest in everything. In other words, every life is important and should not be wasted for, or else it is garbage and not useful, therefore it should be lived. In document 2, Aristotle, who was a great philosophical teacher, taught to rear son and learn from mistakes, education is drawn from experience.

The Greek teacher believed that in human nature, reasoning is superior. If you live your life according to his principles, you will be godlike.

A good thinker will learn to appreciate and love oneself as they come closer and closer to reaching nirvana, a paradise with oneself. This nature is admired by many. The way you reason or make choices in life adds to you as an individual and your character and identity. Live life day in and day out and to the fullest.

Think smart and make good choices and you will lead a good life. The life of reason is still used today in every being and not even computers can do what the human mind can do. In document 3 Pericles stated that he wanted all citizens to have an equal opportunity to serve the public.

In both the US democracy and the Greeks of Majorca, political privilege can be used by citizens. An example of a political privilege can be used by citizens in Greece was that laws were voted upon and to be able to nominate by the assembly of all citizens. In the US when citizens are 18 and older they are granted the right to vote.

In the US most of the democratic system that the government uses is either identical or very similar to the Ancient Greek system. The Hippocratic Oath States that Hippocrates will treat his patient to the best of his abilities and that he will refuse to give deadly medicine to his patients.

Many NY medical students and doctors still take the oath and learn about it. He promised to try to save a person to the best of his abilities and to never kill someone even if they asked him to. Greeks affected sports in western civilization also. Moron's famous sculpture, the Discus Thrower in document 8.

Document 8 is an example of a kind of sport in ancient Greek times that resemble the modern day javelin mixed with Frisbee. Greece was the first civilization to fuse sports and make it into a tradition. Greece was the host of the first Olympics, the sports that this involved were running, wrestling, boxing, javelin, and many more sports.

This influenced later civilizations because we never would have found out boxing or the other sports in the Olympics. The picture of the Parthenon in document 7 shows how specific features of the building influenced Western Civilization. The pillars and the shape of the building showed a sense of power and the actual architecture used in the Parthenon is still used today in places like the White House and Lincoln Monument.

The specific features that influenced western civilization were the columns and the overall geometric shape of the building, also the way the roof was built without any support on the inside.

The engineering that was in the Parthenon was incredible. It would influence western civilization for a long time. Ancient Greek civilization has left a great mark in western civilization. They have gifted us with art, architecture, philosophy, beliefs, religion, writings, math, drama, science, government, and pottery, and philosophical teachings by Socrates, Plato or either of their disciples. Just imagine if Ancient Greek culture had come about and how that would have affected us.

How do you think we would have ended up as a civilization wise?