

Primary History

Worksheet: The Ancient Greeks - Living in Athens

Use the 'Athens' and 'Teachers' Resources' sections of the Primary History website to do your research for these activities.

Imagine you are living in Athens. Who are you? When you choose who to be think about the following:

A female citizen:

Are you married or unmarried?

Do you live in a wealthy household or a poor one?

How does your family earn its money?

How do you spend your time each day?

A male citizen:

Are you married?

Are you wealthy or poor?

Where do you work?

What goes on at the debates in an assembly?

Have you served in the army?

A slave:

Are you male or female?

Are you young or old?

Who owns you, a family or are you owned by the state?

Where were you born - in Athens or somewhere else in Greece or in a different country altogether?

How did you come to be a slave? What job do you do?

You could try writing about a day in your life. Perhaps there's a special event you're going to? Or you could write your biography; where you grew up; what your parents did; and what you are doing now in Athens.

