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CITY STATES IN ANCIENT GREECE



Ancient Greece was not a unified country. Those who spoke Greek, lived in various city states (some say there were over a 1000). Each city state was a 'polis', a self governing country based on a major city. Each had their own way of governing, Athens was a democracy, Sparta was governed by a group of men (the oligarchy) and others had monarchs. The various 'poleis', sometimes fought one another, though they did co-operate. When the Persians threatened they all came together as one. They were also united briefly under the rule of Alexander the Great.



A map to show some of the city states of Ancient

Study the map and answer the following questions:

1. Name two poleis located on the coast.
2. Name one polis located in the Peloponnese Mountains.
3. Corinth is located on an isthmus - what does that mean?
4. Name a famous person from Athens, Sparta, Corinth, Thebes and Argos.
5. What is Mt Olympus known as by the Ancient Greeks?
6. What was Delphi particularly famous for?