

Year 11 Summer Preparatory Work: Classical Civilisation



1. For EACH of the following TedEd topics:

- Watch the video,
- Answer the 'Think' questions
- Try the 'Dig Deeper' tasks. They all relate to your A-Level course in various ways!

A) A Day in the life of an ancient Athenian - Robert Garland

<https://ed.ted.com/lessons/a-day-in-the-life-of-an-ancient-athenian-robert-garland#watch>

B) This is Sparta: Fierce warriors of the ancient world - Craig Zimmer.

<https://ed.ted.com/lessons/this-is-sparta-fierce-warriors-of-the-ancient-world-craig-zimmer#watch>

C) Did ancient Troy really exist? - Einav Zamir Dembin

<https://ed.ted.com/lessons/did-ancient-troy-really-exist-einav-zamir-dembin#watch>

D) The science behind the myth: Homer's "Odyssey" - Matt Kaplan.

<https://ed.ted.com/lessons/the-science-behind-the-myth-homer-s-odyssey-matt-kaplan>

E) History vs. Augustus - Alex Gendler and Peta Greenfield

<https://ed.ted.com/lessons/history-vs-augustus-alex-gendler-and-peta-greenfield>

F) The great conspiracy against Julius Caesar - Kathryn Tempest
<https://ed.ted.com/lessons/the-great-conspiracy-against-julius-caesar-kathryn-tempest>

4. Make a mind map on Ancient Greek Religion based on the information at
https://www.ancient.eu/Greek_Religion/

5. Choose one of the 12 Labours of Heracles (Hercules) and create a story board or cartoon based on it. <http://www.perseus.tufts.edu/Herakles/labors.html>

6. Watch the debate: Greeks v Romans (Boris Johnson v Mary Beard)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2k448JqQyj8>

7. Access some ancient literature of your choice and begin reading it for yourself! Free copies are available for download at <https://www.poetryintranslation.com>

We will begin with Homer's Iliad in September – see you then!