

# Ancient Greece

The Olympic Games started in the Valley of Olympia in 776 B.C. The Games lasted five days and were only for men and boys.

The first day was spent getting ready to compete. The athletes chose their best games. The judges promised to be fair.

On the second day, there was a chariot race. A *chariot* is a two-wheeled carriage pulled by four horses. Athletes also ran foot races and did long jumps on this day.

On the third day, there was a big feast. Later, there were foot races, boxing, and wrestling for boys.

The fourth day was for men's foot races, boxing, and wrestling. Some of these events were very rough. Some men got hurt.

On the fifth day the winners were given crowns of olive leaves.

What do the following words mean?

*ancient* \_\_\_\_\_

*athlete* \_\_\_\_\_

*chariot* \_\_\_\_\_

*compete* \_\_\_\_\_

*feast* \_\_\_\_\_

How do you think the Olympic Games got its name?

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# Ancient Greece Recall

**Directions:** Make a picture to show what happened each day of the Olympic Games in ancient Greece. Cut apart the pages and make a book.

<p><b>ANCIENT GREEK OLYMPICS</b></p>	<p><b>Day 1</b></p>
<p><b>Day 2</b></p>	<p><b>Day 3</b></p>
<p><b>Day 4</b></p>	<p><b>Day 5</b></p>