

Year 3 Ancient Greece Architecture

Topic optional homework tasks.

Step into the world of marble, columns, and grand temples! Ancient Greek architecture has influenced buildings all over the world. Choose from these tasks to become an ancient architect yourself.

<p>1. The Three Columns Challenge</p> <p>The Greeks used three main styles of columns: Doric (simple), Ionic (with scrolls), and Corinthian (fancy leaves).</p> <p>Task: Draw all three types of columns.</p> <p>Challenge: Label them correctly and try to draw them as neatly as a Greek stone-cutter would!</p> <p>Materials: Paper and pencils.</p>	<p>2. Edible Architecture</p> <p>Greek temples were built with a rectangular base and a row of columns holding up a triangular roof.</p> <p>Task: Use biscuits (like custard creams or rectangular crackers) for the floor and roof, and use stick-shaped snacks (like breadsticks or chocolate fingers) for the columns.</p> <p>Challenge: Can you build a temple that stays standing without falling over?</p> <p>Materials: Various rectangular and stick-shaped snacks.</p>	<p>3. Local Landmark Detective</p> <p>Greek architecture is everywhere—even today! Many banks, museums, and libraries look like Greek temples.</p> <p>Task: Next time you are in town or looking at a book, find a building with columns or a triangular "pediment" (the roof part).</p> <p>Challenge: Take a photo or draw a sketch of the building. Does it look like a temple?</p> <p>Materials: Camera or sketchbook.</p>
<p>4. Symmetry Artist</p> <p>Greek buildings were famous for being "symmetrical," which means they look the same on both sides.</p> <p>Task: Fold a piece of paper in half. Draw half of a Greek temple on one side, then see if you can mirror it perfectly on the other side.</p> <p>Challenge: Add a "Frieze" (a decorated strip) with a scene of a battle or a myth across the top.</p>	<p>5. Become a Mythological Muralist</p> <p>The "Pediment" is the triangular space under the roof. It usually told a story about the gods.</p> <p>Task: Draw a large triangle on a piece of paper. Inside, draw a scene from your favourite Greek myth (like Hercules or Medusa).</p> <p>Challenge: Try to fit all the characters inside the triangle without cutting off their heads or feet!</p>	<p>6. Shadow Science</p> <p>The Greeks used columns to create shade in the hot sun.</p> <p>Task: On a sunny day, place a tall toy or a stick outside. Watch the shadow move during the day.</p> <p>Challenge: If you were sitting in a "Stoa" (a Greek covered walkway), how would the columns protect you from the sun?</p> <p>Materials: A stick and a sunny day.</p>

<p>Materials: Paper and ruler.</p>	<p>Materials: Paper and colouring pens.</p>	
<p>7. The Parthenon The Parthenon is the most famous Greek temple, built high on a hill called the Acropolis.</p> <p>Task: Use LEGO or building blocks to recreate the Parthenon.</p> <p>Challenge: Try to count how many columns you used. The real Parthenon had 8 columns at the front!</p> <p>Materials: LEGO or any building blocks.</p>	<p>8. Wordsearch Architect There are lots of tricky words in Greek architecture.</p> <p>Task: Create a word search using these words: Column, Marble, Temple, Doric, Ionic, Corinthian, Pediment, Frieze.</p> <p>Challenge: Can you hide the words diagonally to make it harder for a friend to find?</p> <p>Materials: Grid paper.</p>	