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Design your own Sports Day



Ancient Greek lifestyle

The Ancient Greeks loved **competition** of any kind but their idea of friendly competition was anything but friendly.

Olympic Games

One of the most important competitions was the **Olympic Games**, which have been held for nearly **3,000** years.

Unlike our Olympic Games today where competitors win medals, the ancient Greek athletes competed for **glory**. Winners received a **wreath of leaves.** They were welcomed as **heroes** when they returned home, as they were considered to have been **favoured by the Gods**.



Boxing

Sports

Some of the Games held in Olympia were quite violent, including

- Boxing
- Chariot racing
- Running
- Javelin throwing

Why is pottery important?

One of the ways the Greeks told other people (like you and me!) about how great they were and the sports they played, was through **painted pots**, like these from Bristol Museum & Art Gallery shown here.

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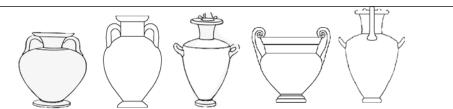
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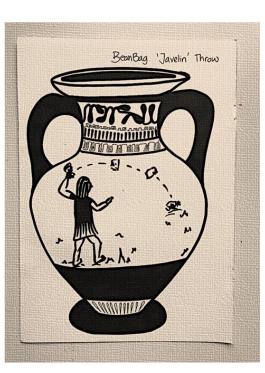


Get into teams. If you're doing this from home, you can be a solo competitor! **Plan a game** that your whole class can play in an inter-team tournament (*Remember! We're nicer than the Ancient Greeks, so nothing violent! If you're at home, create a series for yourself*)

Hold your own Bristol Olympic Games! (*Remember to think of how you're going to judge the game e.g., the furthest long jump/ the fastest relay... If you're at home, see if you can beat your first attempt.*)

Draw your activity in one of the pot outlines and explain it to someone else (*See the examples below for ideas but let your own creativity shine!*)





Be as creative as you can, and think of the different styles you can invent Use a variety of pen styles and detailing through dotting or sharp lines.





Some fun ideas might be...

- Dance-off
- Egg and spoon race
- Tug of war
- Wheelbarrow race
- Hopping race
- Dribbling round cones
- Long jump
- Relay
- Throwing into hoops
- Football dribble



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