

# **Quiz Answers**

- 1. Poleis
- 2. Slaves
- 3. Athens and Sparta
- 4. To stay inside the walls of their city and to use their superior ships to win the war
- 5. A great general and leader of Athens

## How do we know about Ancient Greek theatre?

- 1. Surviving texts
- 2. Inscriptions and decorations (on amphorae)
- 3. Archaeological evidence

## **Greek Theatre**

- 1. Once every year (annually)
- 2. The procession where the statue of Dionysus was carried and put outside of the Theatre of Dionysus
- 3. They had their name inscribed on the wall of the Theatre.
- 4. Use 'skenographia' or scene paintings
- 5. Aeschylus
- 6. Aristophanes
- 7. Sophocles
- 8. The love-drama

#### **The Theatres**

- 1. Up to 14,000 people
- 2. In the area which housed the orchestra
- 3. Entrances on either side of the stage for the actors
- 4. The Skene
- 5. To give the audience members a good view of the stage

#### The role of masks

1a. They allowed actors to play more than one character

1b. As they were highly decorated, they allowed audience members who were at the back to see what was going on onstage.

2. The purpose of comic plays were to make the audience laugh. It was easier to do this if the characters looked funny themselves.

# The role of the chorus

- 1. The first key role of the chorus was to entertain the audience with singing, dancing and elaborate costumes.
- 2. The second key role was to provide the viewpoints of the community onstage, particularly if the actors were having an important debate or a vote.