

## ANCIENT GREECE

### Enquiry Grid 1:

### What armour and weapons were used in ancient Greece?

#### Chapter/s and section/s used:

Persian Wars chapter – Explore section

#### Individual project:

Children work through the Explore section, to find out who took part in the battle of Plataia, what weapons they used and what armour they wore. They can then each complete the enquiry grid.

#### Class project:

Individually or in pairs, the class works through the Explore to find out about the soldiers, their weapons and armour. The class is then divided into small groups. Each group is given one of the 3 types from the grid below to focus on. They will then complete the enquiry grid for their 'type'. They can then feed back to the rest of the class and discuss the similarities and differences between the forces on the battlefield.

#### Extension work:

More able children could be asked to read the War Story about the battle of Thermopylae. Using this story, the extracts from Herodotus, the objects and illustrations, they could then infer evidence to fill in the enquiry grid for this battle (they won't be able to do the cavalry as none took part in the Battle of Thermopylae).

#### Background Information:

You may find the following Background Information sheets found on [www.ancientgreece.co.uk](http://www.ancientgreece.co.uk) useful for this activity:

**Warfare**

## Armour and Weapons

<b>Read ALL the questions before you start.</b>	Greek soldier	Persian Infantryman	Persian Cavalryman
What is his main weapon of attack?			
What other weapons does he have?			
How does he defend himself?			
Does he wear body armour? If yes, give details.			
What does he wear on his head? Describe it.			
What do you think are the strengths of this soldier?			
In what ways is this soldier vulnerable to being wounded?			