L’éducation des enfants de citoyens

Athenian citizens learned gender based societal roles. Girls would learn how to become good servants to their husbands and boys would lean how to become good citizens to the state.

Early education, from birth to seven years of age, was given by the mother. She would oversee all her younger children, boys and girls, together. After the age of seven the children would be split up based on their sex.

Girls would learn a bit about music and primarily how to do domestic tasks, like cooking and how to be a good wife. Boys would be assigned a master, chosen by their father. They would then learn about music, reading, writing, poetry, math, gymnastics and combat. Reading and writing were an important part of their education. Whereas writing was inaccessible in Egypt, writing became much more accessible in Greece. Their writing system was made up of 24 symbols, each representing a sound.

At the age of 14, the sons of well-off citizens would often go to the gymnasium for physical training and hands-on learning. Between the ages of 18 and 20, men would do their service in the military. This is so that all citizens will be able to defend the state.

Once all of that is complete, they would go on to be Athenian citizens, permitted to partake in the Athenian democracy.

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| Le but de l’éduction des garçons | D’être les bons citoyens |
| Le but de l’éducation des filles | D’être les bonnes maîtresses de maison et épouses |
| Éducation de naissance à sept ans | Tous les enfants sous la surveillance de la mère |
| Éducation des filles après sept ans | Par la mère, sur la musique, les tâches domestiques et comment être une bonne épouse |
| Éducation des garçons après sept ans | Par un maître choisi par leur père, sur la musique, lecture, écriture, poésie, calcul, gymnastiques et la lutte |
| L’alphabet grec | Système d’écriture avec 24 symboles qui correspond à un son |
| Entrainement au gymnase pour les garçons aisés | Entrainement physique et apprentissage pratique |
| Le service dans la militaire | Entre 18 et 20 ans, pour les garçons |
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