

Greek Philosophy:

The impact of Greek philosophy on communication

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Process paper

We decided to choose Greek Philosophy because we were interested in how these philosophers that were living in such an old-time, concluded so many ideas and theories. In addition, some of us knew some information about this topic but we wanted to go more in-depth and view it from multiple perspectives and consider different questions one may ask about this topic. Also, this would help us understand how Greek philosophy influenced not only Greek culture but also how philosophers around the world were impacted by their significance. Furthermore, we wanted to learn more about how Greek philosophy is incorporated into our

modern-day education and how our lives would be different if this did not exist. Lastly, we chose this topic because we just wanted to see how Greek philosophy is incorporated into popular culture and if it is portrayed differently through many different artists, ads, works of art, etc...

Our group conducted research by identifying and developing the topic we selected a topic that would be challenging but interesting to research. Then we searched for information all over the Internet. We looked on different platforms such as YouTube which contains videos and websites which contain information and we even considered renting books. We located some materials that we thought were valuable and we have to check to make sure that the source of the information was valid. After we did that we checked the sources for validity we interpreted and read through the material multiple times. We evaluated how the material would help us talk about the topic of Greek Philosophy and chose the most important primary and secondary sources.

As a group, we came to the conclusion that we wanted to do a podcast. There were a lot of factors to consider but we feel very strongly about the decision. We all took into consideration how comfortable everyone feels with speaking out and verbally displaying this project. Now that we have done lots of research about our topic we have decided to go with the category that everyone agreed on which was, a podcast. A podcast is an audio program that people can listen to and download. All four of us are very tech-savvy girls and like to use modern technology. So we all thought that a podcast would be the best and coolest option. We created our project based on basic Greek philosophy information and Greek philosophers. We of course will still provide interesting and eye-catching information that will for sure grab your attention.

Our project relates to the NHD theme of communication because Greek Philosophy continues to influence people's lives today and it influenced people's lives in the past. Philosophy was mainly voiced through writings, speaking with others, and made their voices known. Various philosophers such as Aristotle, Socrates, Plato, and many others wrote their ideas down. They have been translated and are still used in the world today. Writing was a very big form of communication, especially in those times. As time went on more forms of communication were made, but writing is still prominent. Philosophers could have exchanged their ideas and beliefs and even built off of what others said. Ideas such as the Socratic method, Aristotle's ideas on logic, and others are still heavily involved today, in school life, work-life, social life, and everywhere around the world.

Annotated Bibliography

Primary Source

1. Citation: https://antilogicalism.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/12/epicurus_letter1.pdf

Annotation: This source was useful to my research because it shows an example of the thoughts and writing of a Greek philosopher who lived by which is helpful to understand how he thought and how he wanted other people to view his thoughts. Also, it helps to understand what was their motivation and goal during their time.

2. Citation: https://eudocs.lib.byu.edu/index.php/History_of_Greece:_Primary_Documents

Annotation: This source was useful to my research because it shows multiple primary documents that Greek philosophers wrote by themselves which can be helpful in the podcast to show their motive for writing them.

Secondary Source

1. Citation: <https://courses.lumenlearning.com/boundless-communications/chapter/history-of-public-speaking/>

Annotation: This piece of evidence shows how Greeks highly valued public political participation, where public speaking was a crucial tool. It explains and speaks about four Ancient Greek philosophers, also known as the “fantastic four” Aspasia of Miletus, Socrates, Plato, and Aristotle.

2. Citation: <https://www.nationalgeographic.org/encyclopedia/greek-philosophers/>

Annotation: This piece of information explains how Greek philosophers contemplated and theorized about many different ideas such as human nature, ethics, and moral dilemmas. It talks about how Ancient Greek philosophers can be categorized into three groups: the Pre-Socratics, the Socratics, and the Post-Socratics.

3. Citation: <https://iep.utm.edu/aristotl/>

Annotation: This website can be very helpful because it talks about Aristotle, a very key and important philosopher. It also talks about other philosophers like Plato and Socrates. It gives us detailed information on Aristotle's observations and what led him to discover these things.

4. Citation: https://www.history.com/topics/ancient-history/aristotle#section_8

Annotation: This website gives us information about Aristotle's life and how he became so powerful. He went through many challenges that could've stopped him from pursuing his dream but he was determined and made life-changing discoveries.

5. Citation: <https://www.biography.com/scholar/plato>

Annotation: This source was useful because it provided background information on who Plato was and the main and significant things he did in his life. This helped further understanding who he was and provided an abundance of information and insight into Plato's achievements.

6. Citation: <https://www.thoughtco.com/plato-important-philosophers-120328>

Annotation: This website was useful because it provided a more in-depth explanation of Plato's teachings and his thoughts on society and various other topics. Plato continuously voiced his thoughts and shared them with others.

7. Citation: <https://www.math.tamu.edu/~dallen/masters/Greek/pythag.pdf>

Annotation: This website shows how Pythagoras communicated with his students and how he passed down his knowledge. It portrays communication through philosophers and students.

8. Citation: <https://www.unyp.cz/news/music-and-mathematics-pythagorean-perspective>

Annotation: This website shows the different topics Pythagoras studied and how he impacted each topic. It shows how philosophers like this impacted many fields of education.