

Year 2: Greece & Rome

Easy Cheesy Poems

<u>Unit 1. Minoans & Mycenaeans</u> From 2200 to 1200 B.C. Island of Crete, where Early Greeks would be, Starting a Navy, the Minoans were first, Mycenaeans moved in after Thera burst.	<u>Unit 2. Ancient Persian Empire</u> The Medes and the Persians were ruled by King Cyrus, Who conquered the lands from the Indus to Tigris. Darius, Xerxes and Esther in the mix, The dates were 559 to 336.
<u>Unit 3. Ancient Greece</u> In 800 B.C., Greece rose to great heights, The Olympics brought athletes and crowds to the sights. Sparta and Athens fought for years, In 323 Macedonia brought fears. Alexander took over after dad died, Conquered most of the world and made them want to hide.	<u>Unit 4. Roman Empire</u> Starting B.C. 753, Rome's buildings and roads were a thing to see, The empire was strong and full of power. Rome caused many nations to surrender and cower. But the great empire of Rome ceased to be, In the year 4 hundred 76 A.D.
<u>Unit 5. Caesars</u> All over the Empire, Caesar was known, A very fierce fighter throughout all of Rome. From 49 to 44 B.C. The first dictator the Roman Empire would see.	<u>Unit 6. Beginning of Christianity</u> When Jesus was born, throughout all of Rome, The Pax Romana brought safety at home. B.C. was ended and turned to A.D. In 33, Jesus died to set us free. The Temple destroyed by the Empire of Rome, Jews in Jerusalem were forced to leave home. The destruction took place in 70 A.D., The Jews would stay gone for cen-tur-ies.
<u>Unit 7. Fall of Rome</u> Too much land for one man to juggle, The Empire split and started to struggle. The borders would weaken through all the attacks. Rome would decline and never come back. From 284 to 476 A.D. Rome influenced the world's his-tor-y.	<u>Unit 8. Ancient India</u> Along the Ganges lived Aryans on farms, Who worshipped false gods such as Shiva with arms. The Mauryan Empire formed with Northern India uniting; Merciful Asoka stopped all the fighting. The castes of India were not hard to see, From 1500-233.
<u>Unit 9. Ancient China</u> When the kingdoms were fighting it wasn't real great, 500 B.C. in China known as "The Warring States." Qin Zheng ruled in China and conquered it all, In 214 B.C., he built the Great Wall. His army still stands in museums today, The First Emperor's horses and soldiers of clay.	<u>Unit 10. People of the Americas</u> Nazca lines in Peru are seen when one flies, And the heads made by Olmecs have beach-ball sized eyes! From 1200 to 200 B.C. The People of the Americas were extraor-din-ary!