

Geography and the Settlement of Greece

How did geography influence settlement and way of life in ancient Greece?

PREVIEW

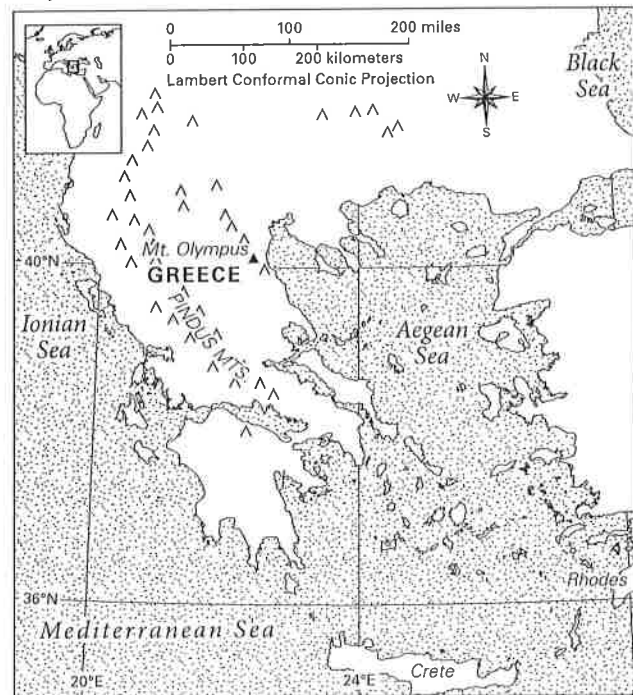
Examine the map and the information about the physical geography of Greece. Then answer the question that follows.

Facts About the Geography of Greece

- Greece has no major rivers.
- Greece is surrounded on three sides by seas.
- Greece is mostly mountainous.
- Greece includes hundreds of islands.

How do you think the physical geography of Greece influenced where people settled and how they lived?

Physical Features of the Greek Peninsula



READING NOTES

Key Content Terms

As you complete the Reading Notes, use these terms in your answers.

peninsula

Aegean Sea

colony

Section 2

1. Use page 173 in textbook. Where did the ancient Greeks mostly settle?

2. Why were ancient Greek communities isolated from each other?

3. List three or more reasons why travel was challenging in ancient Greece.
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Section 3

1. Complete the chart by listing challenges facing Greek farmers in the first column, and the ways in which farmers met these challenges in the second column.

Challenges to Greek Farmers	How Farmers Met These Challenges

2. Why did some Greek settlements fight each other?

Section 4

1. What was the primary reason why the ancient Greeks started colonies?
2. Describe the actions that the ancient Greeks were likely to take when starting a new colony.
3. When did the Greeks establish colonies? Where were the colonies located?

Section 5

1. Why did some ancient Greek settlements trade?
2. What goods from the Greek mainland were traded? What goods did the Greeks get in exchange?
3. Identify two or more challenges merchant ships faced.
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