



TOURISM: SUMMARISED NOTES

GRADE 12

TOURIST ATTRACTIONS

Greece The Parthenon



Location

- Continent: Europe
- Country: Greece
- Capital: Athens
- Located on the Acropolis of Athens



As an icon...

Most famous remaining building from ancient Greece.

One of the most famous buildings and tourist attractions in the world!

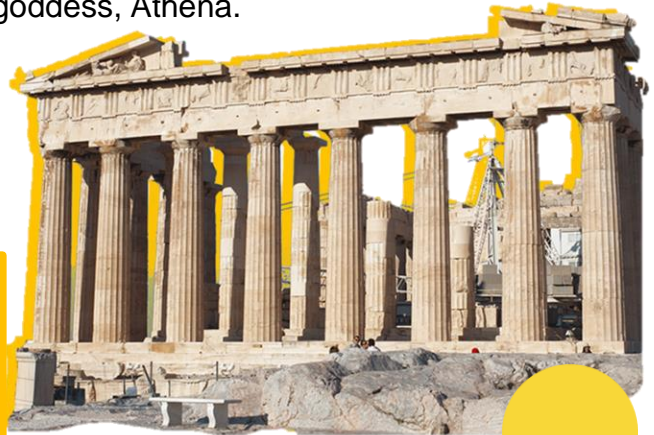
The Acropolis, and the monuments on it, is the largest architectural & artistic complex of the ancient heritage of Greece.



Description

- Ruins of a temple built for the Greek goddess, Athena.

Athena Parthenos was the patron goddess of the ancient city of Athens. The Parthenon housed the enormous statue of Athena, which was made of gold and ivory.



Contained lavish sculptures from marble, which decorated the interior and exterior.

Various treasures were on display in the Parthenon.



It is considered the finest example of the Greek Doric style construction.

The Parthenon was also used as...

- ... a Greek temple.
- ...a treasure chest, which housed many Greek treasures.
- ...a fortress. ...a church. ...a mosque
- ...a storage place for the Turks' gunpowder. During a battle, a cannonball detonated the gunpowder and damaged the Parthenon.





Tourists enjoy...

... guided tours in and around the Parthenon.

...the trail on the rocky hill leading to the Parthenon.

... other attractions can also be visited on the Acropolis of Athens.



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Develop success from failures.
Discouragement and failure are two of
the surest stepping stones to success.

— Dale Carnegie

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