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Suitable for students aged 9+

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If you develop your own activities around this theme please send them to the address below to help expand our library.

Preparation:

Print out the A4 sheets. Make up the Category Grids and the Venn Diagram by sticking the left sides and the right sides together. If possible, laminate them. Cover the Education Cards with 'clear pvc self adhesive book cover film' before cutting them up.

HOW TO PLAY:

Separate students into groups of around four.

Give each group one copy of the Category Grid and one set of Education Cards.

Students sort out which card belongs in which box on the grid.

When they have finished, hand out the Answer Sheet so they can check their answers.

Students can then regroup and using one set of Education Cards, sort them onto the Venn Diagram to see which features of education are the same and which have changed.

At the end of a game students can write down what they have learnt.

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(You can purchase a professionally printed, sound-enabled version of this activity with pre-cut cards from www.mantralingua.com. Students can use TalkingPEN to record and re-record aurally onto the pages and cards. Recordings can be saved and used for assessment, or shared with other classes and schools via "ShareLINK".)

We start school
when we are
seven years old.

We start school
when we are
three years old.

We learn reading,
writing, arithmetic,
music and poetry.

We learn English,
Maths, Science,
ICT and lots of
other things.

We use an abacus
to help us learn to
add and subtract.

We have P.E.
every afternoon.

We read long
poems which we
have to learn
by heart.

We have P.E. once
or twice a week.

We write on wax
Tablets with a
sharp stylus.

We write on
paper with pens
and pencils.

Only children
from rich families
go to school.

There are
boys and girls at
our school.

Only boys
go to school.
Girls stay at
home.

There are
twenty-seven
children in
our class.

All children
go to school.

We sit in groups
at tables.

A slave brings
me to school.

I walk to school
by myself.

The slave hits me
if I am naughty.

There are
eight children in
our class.

We do mental
maths and use
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We read lots
of stories and
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There are eight children in our class.

There are about twenty-seven children in our class.

Classroom furniture

We sit on stools in a circle around the teacher.

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Getting to school

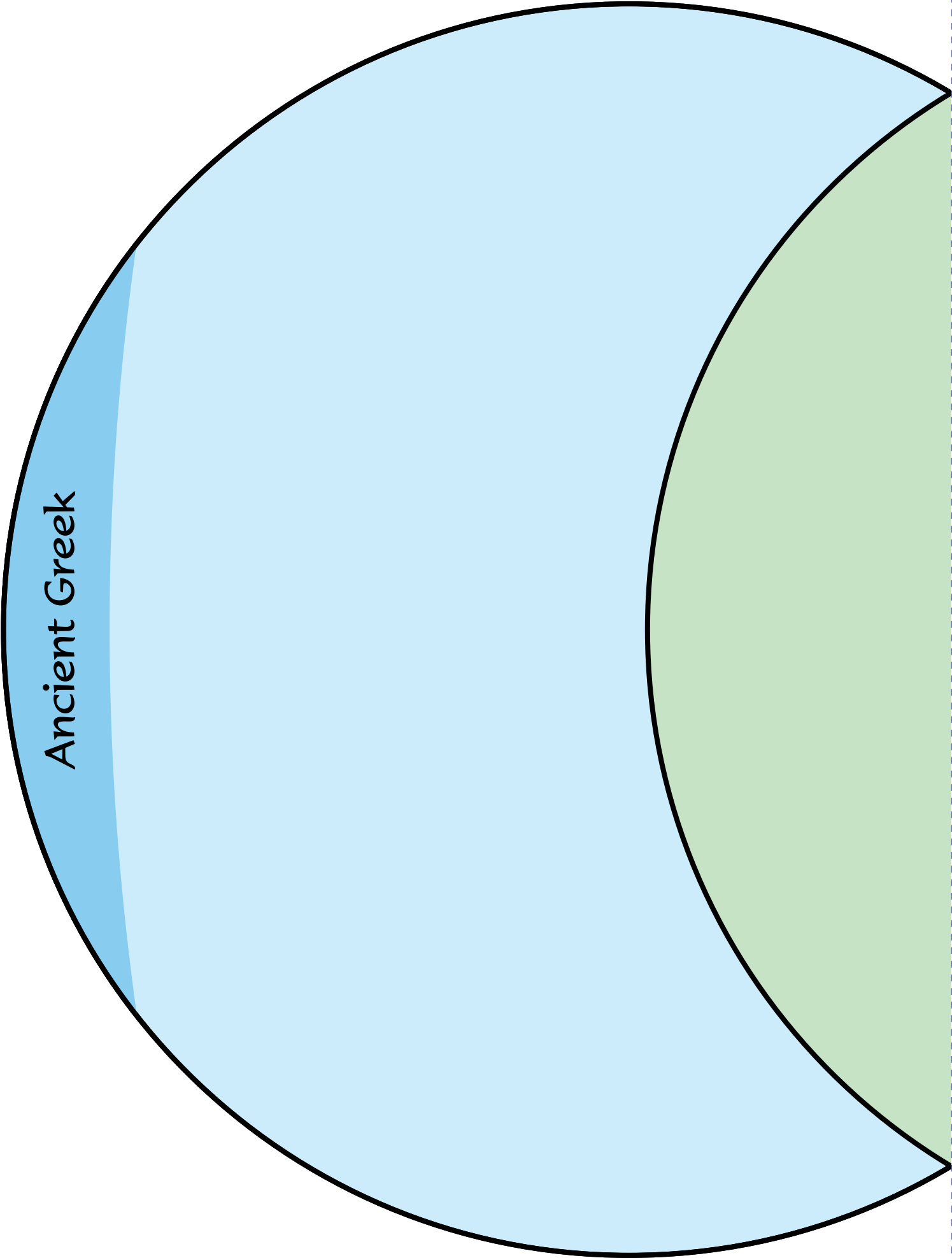
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