

The life of a Greek woman

Pre - Watching

- **Learn new words**

- 1) spin - turn or cause to turn around quickly
- 2) threads - long, thin strand of cotton, nylon, or other fibres used in sewing or weaving
- 3) depict - represent by a drawing, painting, or other art form
- 4) facilitate - to make easier
- 5) induction - a process of bringing to a post or an organisation
- 6) life expectancy - the number of years a person can expect to live
- 7) consent - permission for sth to happen
- 8) lack - be without or not having enough
- 9) dowry - property or money brought by a bride to her husband on their marriage
- 10) passer-by - a person who is going past something, especially on foot

- **Fill in the gaps using the words above**

1. Young girls stayed in the women's parts of a house to and weave.
2. An ancient terracotta group two girls playing ephedrismos.
3. For a Greek woman, marriage was a culmination of into society.
4. The average for women was about forty years.
5. In the event of a failed marriage was returned to the bride's father.

- **Label the pictures**

loom bride veil pebble landmark maiden



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While - Watching

• True or False

1. Greek girls were raised by a nurse.
True False
2. There is more evidence of girls at play than of boys.
True False
3. Marriage was a very important social step for a young Greek woman.
True False
4. Girls got married at the teenage age.
True False
5. Married women had a little less civil rights than men did.
True False
6. The dowry was a sum of money for married women to spend.
True False
7. The dowry sometimes could be returned back to the bride's husband.
True False
8. A woman gained the statue of a woman after having her second child.
True False
9. Penelope was Hercules' wife.
True False
10. The hetaeraes were the temple's male patrons.
True False

• Multiple choice

1. Gynaikon was a ...
 - a) part of a house
 - b) a social class
 - c) a game
2. Ephedrismos was ...
 - a) kicking a ball
 - b) throwing a discus
 - c) striking a rock
3. What was an average life expectancy for women?
 - a) 54
 - b) 40
 - c) 65
6. Choose the correct order
 - a) bride - woman - maiden
 - b) maiden - bride - woman
 - c) woman - maiden - bride
7. Which occasion were women NOT allowed to attend?
 - a) political gatherings
 - b) funerals
 - c) weddings
8. Which quality was seen as the most attractive one?
 - a) weaving
 - b) cooking
 - c) knitting
9. Greek women were never seen at work due to ...
 - a) the architecture of Greek houses
 - b) their working at night
 - c) their working very fast



