



Chariot Races

Have you heard of the Olympic Games? These originated in ancient Greece, where they were part of the larger Panhellenic (“all of Greece”) Games that took place on two- and four-year cycles in various cities. Athletes from all over the Greek world participated, competing in events like chariot racing, boxing, and the pentathlon, which featured five (*pente* in Greek) different contests: a foot race, a wrestling match, javelin throw, discus throw, and the long jump.

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