Timeline: Classical Greece

776 BCE	First Olympic Games
c. 750 BCE	Adaptation of Phoenician alphabet; writing in Greece
c. 750-500 BCE	Greek colonization of Asia Minor, Sicily, and Southern Italy
c. 700 BCE	Writing down of the Iliad
594 BCE	Archonship of Solon at Athens
534-400 BCE	Great drama at Athens: Aeschylus, Sophocles, Euripides
492-479 BCE	Persian Wars: Defeat of Darius at Marathon, 490, and Xerxes at Salamis
476 BCE	Corax and Tisias in Sicily (democracy in Syracuse)
462 BCE	Pay for jurors in Athens
461-429 BCE	Pericles strategos in Athens
450-400 BCE	The first great Sophists at Athens: Protagorus, Gorgias, Antiphon
469-399 BCE	Socrates
431-404 BCE	Peloponnesian War, plagues
392 BCE	Isocrates opens school of Oratory in Athens
380 BCE	Plato opens Academy
367 BCE	Aristotle comes from Stagira to Study at the Academy
350 BCE	Philip of Macedon takes control of Greece
333-323 BCE	Alexander the Great conquers the East as far as India
345-334 BCE	Aristotle tutor to Alexander the Great
334-323 BCE	Aristotle establishes Lyceum in Athens