

That's Greek!

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Ever wondered why we have to learn history?
Ever heard the complaint "This means nothing to me"?
We are here to disabuse,
You of such despicable views.
Spend some time with us and soon you'll see.

Can't separate modern life from the times gone by,
Yesterday has an impact and you'll see why.
Take a look at the world you see,
It's all rather Greek to me.
Spend some time with us and you'll agree.

When you see a building with columns stretching up to the sky,
Well that's Greek!
When you see a play at the theatre that might make you cry,
Well that's Greek!
When you watch Olympic athletes try to win,
The marathon or Greco-Roman wrestling,
None of these things are unique,
They're just Greek!

When your doctor gives you some pills for some nasty disease,
Well that's Greek!
When he takes the oath they all make by Hippocrates,
Well that's Greek!
When you place an X for the person you want to elect,
Or write to your MP and say you object,
None of these things are unique,
They're just Greek!



When you go to school and you learn how to read and to write,
Well that's Greek!
When you see the stars in the sky on a cloudless night,
Well that's Greek!
Even learning the alphabet A to Z,
Or alpha to omega as Homer said,
None of these things are unique,
You see them each day of the week,
These are the reasons you seek,
They're just Greek!

