Greek Theatre CBRT ScriptBy Kristin Keating

A 11	Create Theatral		characters into view for the
All	Greek Theatre!		audience.
2	When we say "Greek Theatre", we mean the theatre that happened in	3	Every spring, the Greeks gathered
		3	together for the
•	Athens, Greece a long time ago.	All	The City Dionysia!
3	Like a hundred years ago?	4	The City Dionysia was a festival to
1,2	Longer than that! [gesture]	- T 2	honor the god Dionysus.
4	A thousand years ago?	1	Dionysus was the god of wine,
1, 2	Even longer! [gesture]	L	agriculture,
5	Greek Theatre actually happened around 550 BC to around 220 BC.	2	and revelry! [gesture][sound effect]
_		5	The central event of the City
6	Wow, that's over two thousand	J	Dionysia was the play competition.
~	years ago!	6	For three days, the performers put on
2	Greek Theatre took place in giant	O	tragedies. [gesture]
	outdoor amphitheatres.	3	And one day was devoted to
1	These amphitheatres could seat up to	5	comedies. [gesture]
0	14,000 people.	1	Today, the three tragic
2	The audience sat in a a large semi-	1	playwrights we know best are
_	circle on a hillside. [gesture]		Sophocles, Aeschylus, and Euripides.
5	The actors performed in a circular	4	Sophocles wrote a famous tragedy
	space called the <i>orchestra</i> in front of the audience. [gesture]	-	called Oedipus Rex.
2	The acoustics were so good that you	3, 6	Oedipus stabs himself in the eyes!
3	could hear a whisper from the very	5,0	[gesture]
		5	Euripides wrote another famous play
4	top. [sound effect] The actors were all men.	5	called Medea.
4	In fact, we're not sure whether or not	2	Medea uses a chariot that looks like
6	women were even in the audience!	24	a dragon [sound effect]
1	The performers of Greek Theatre	1	to escape at the end of the play.
1	consisted of 2 or 3 actors and a	6	Today, some ancient Greek
	chorus.	Ü	amphitheatres are still standing and
2	The chorus sang [sound effect]		you can visit them today.
4	and danced [gesture]	3	And people perform Greek plays all
5	and commented on the events of the	_	the time!
3	play. [gesture] [sound effect]	4	Even the most common symbol of the
3	Actors wore larger-than-life masks		theatre, which depicts a happy mask
3	and costumes so that they could be		[gesture]
	seen more easily.	5	and a sad mask [gesture]
4.5	6 The Greeks loved special effects!		4 come from the ancient Greeks.
1, J,	They had a machine called the	6	It may be old
1	mechane that lowered actors	All	but Greek Theatre isn't dying any
	playing gods onto the stage.		time soon!
2	And a wagon called a ekkyklema,		
4.	which was used to bring dead		
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