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Our alphabet came from Greece through Cyme and then Rome. Our language is full of Greek words. Our science forged an international language by using Greek terms. Our grammar and rhetoric, even our punctuation and division in paragraphs are Greek inventions. Our literary styles are Greek-lyrics, odes, idyll, novel, biography, history, dissertation, address, and especially drama. Almost all words are Greek. The terms and forms of modern drama-tragedy, comedy, pantomime-are Greek. *W. Durant, World History of Civilization*

I owe favour to Divine Providence, because it gave me the opportunity to study Ancient Greek. This allowed me to examine thoroughly and understand better the essence of science. *Max von Lane-Nobel Prize of Physics*

The Ancient Greek language belongs to those models through-and with- which, the spiritual powers of the creative genius are projected. In regards to the possibilities it provides thought with, it is the most powerful, and at the same time most intellectual of all languages. *Martin Heidegger. Philosopher*

...they go back to the Greek language to name the modern discoveries and inventions (from euthanasia to metabolism), not to mention the spaceships or the large scientific programs that are named Ariadne or Hermes.

We breathe the Hellenic air every moment, without knowing it. Ariadne's ball of thread and Oedipus' Complex, like many others, are Hellenic recollections. The same stands for the Olympic Games and the Marathon. The Europe we are creating has a Greek name. Ancient Greece offers us a language that I'll say once more, is universal. *Jaclyn de Romijy. French Academic*

Everything is Greek and Latin. A quick way to understand the universe is the expansion and learning of the Hellenic language, as well as Latin. These languages are the keys used for the understanding of many languages, including English. In Greece you will hear many things about freedom. It is the same word from antiquity. If you walk into a tavern and recite some verses

from Homer's *Odysseia*, where Odysseus asks for wine, they will understand you and offer you wine. *Article from the Sunday Times, editor Mr Thornhill*

To speak about a United Europe without the Hellenic language, is to speak with a blind person about colours. There cannot be a new Renaissance if we do not return to the sources. We clearly mean the Hellenic language, which we find, in part, in all other languages in the form of scientific and technical terms, but also, words of intellectual and even everyday life. It is the mother of all European languages. *Federico Sagredo. Professor of foreign languages and philosopher*

Everybody knows that the French language is the daughter of Latin and furthermore the Hellenic language. It will be difficult for you to understand the French language if you do not have at least a basic knowledge of Latin and Greek. The French language did not fall from the sky. Its roots grow in the garden of Greece. *Jean D' Omerson, Le Figaro Magazine*

The Hellenic language is the most noble of all languages created by the human race. The best creations of the human mind were expressed in this language, and having evolved from her, she is irreplaceable. *Dr Thzeski, Lecturer at the University of Warsaw*

The world will always need Hellenism, because it will always need its literature and art. Today the world requires Hellenism for a deeper reason. Because it lacks a philosophy that will give its civilization what it needs most - a soul.

Richard Livingstone, lecturer at the Corpus Cristi college

There are those who say that the learning of the Greek language offers nothing. Indeed, there are people for which the Greek language has nothing to offer. There are many people though, and such people will always exist, who in the Hellenic wisdom and language discover something they need, and without which they would truly feel poor. It can be described as something resembling the walking stick held by the hand, the light in a path, a lighthouse-guide. And when someone asks them why do they occupy themselves with the Hellenic language, in all likelihood they will remain speechless in front of the question's monstrous Hubris, and the reason for their devotion will always remain hidden. *D' Aray Wentworth Thompson, Lecturer Natural History, St. Andrews University, Great Britain*