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**AP Human Geography Mr. Stokka Fall**

### THE OLYMPIC GAMES

As you study diffusion, think about the different kinds of ideas, traditions, etc. that have moved not only across the globe but have also moved through cultures and history. The spread of the Olympic competition is a great example of diffusion. Visit the sites below and answer the questions based on the information you read about on the sites in conjunction with the information from your research on diffusion.

[http://www.olympic.org/uk/games/ancient/index\\_uk.asp](http://www.olympic.org/uk/games/ancient/index_uk.asp)

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<http://www.perseus.tufts.edu/Olympics/>

<http://history1900s.about.com/library/weekly/aa081000a.htm>

#### Short Answer Questions:

1. Where and when did the idea or item originate?

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2. How far did this idea or item spread?

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3. How long did it take this idea or item to spread?

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4. By what means did it spread?

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5. Did anyone or anything slow or prevent its movement?

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6. Was this a contiguous or non-contiguous movement?

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7. Was the concept or idea altered as it diffused?

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8. Which segments of the population accepted this concept or idea?

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9. Which type of diffusion did the concept or idea spread by? Fully explain your reasoning!

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