Was art in the ancient Greek times important?  
  
The art of ancient Greece was very important! Not only it made you money, it also looked amazing! There is different types of art in Greece, but the most popular was vase making. Vases can do a lot of things on top of looking good. It can be used for storage, for carrying, for mixing, for serving and drinking.  
  
The different types of vases differed. Here are some types:  
  
Amphora  
Pelike  
Volute Krater  
Loutrophorus  
Calyx Krater  
Column Krater  
Bell Krater  
Stamnos  
Paykter  
Hydria  
Lebes Gamikos  
Lebes  
Lekythos  
Squat Lekythos  
Oinochoe  
Kantharos  
Kylix  
Stemless Kylix  
Skyphos  
Aryballos  
Alabastron  
Pyxis  
  
As you can see, there is a lot!  
  
The patterns for vases normally represented a story. People find these patterns funny, some sad. The stories that the patterns represent are really fascinating!  
  
Vases are really expensive, and when you see one you should be steady because they are really fragile. The saying, 'you break, you replace' originated a bit from vases.  
  
Vases are made from pottery. The potter puts a bit of clay (terracotta\* to be more specific) on the wheel and they shape into one of the vases above or one of their own. Once they clay is dry, they paint a pattern on it, some representing a story from Greece or from their own life.  
\*Terracotta is fired clay.