**Module 1: Geography**

**The explorers' diary fell into the sea and when they pulled it out of the water they discovered that some words had been deleted. Can you help them reconstruct the text filling in the blanks?**

(***These words will help you***: stalactite, *religious, four (4), tomb, prophecies, Minoan, Macedonia, size, games, lakes, oracle, seven (7), Cyclades, Ionian Sea, great, baskets, 1700, Zeus, corridor, volcanic, Thessalia, Caretta-Caretta, monasteries, ropes, Aegean, palace, 100,000, central, biggest, athletic, Peloponnese*)

“**1st place**: We started off from the island of Zakynthos. It is one of the ……………….. islands situated in the I……………….. S………………… On this island there is one of the most important shelters of the protected turtle c………………..-c………………..

**2nd place**: Vergina (ancient Aigai) is situated in M……………….., north of Greece. It is a famous archaeological site because M. Andronikos discovered the t……………….. of the king of Macedonia Phillip the 2nd,  the father of Alexander the G………………..

**3rd place:** In T………………. we visited a lovely place up in the cliffs, called Meteora. Actually, Meteora is a group of Orthodox m………………. which were built between the 11th and 12th centuries. Until the 17th century, people went up there in b…………………. moved by r…………………

**4th place**: We moved south towards c…………………….. Greece to visit Delphoi, the Centre of the Earth, as it was then called. In ancient times (between the 6th & the 4th c BC), the most famous and most important o…………………… in the Greek World operated in Delphoi. Pythia, told her p……………………in an enigmatic way.

**5th place**: Then we crossed the A……………… Sea and after a tiring voyage we arrived in Santorini. Santorini belongs to the c…………………… group of islands. It is a unique island because 3.600 years ago a strong v……………………….. eruption occurred. It was so strong that part of the island collapsed and, what’s more, it destroyed the M…………………… civilization on the island of Crete through a gigantic tsunami.

**6th place:** Next, we took the ship to Crete. Crete is the l…………………….. island of Greece. We saw the ruins of the Minoan civilization and we admired its monumental symbol, the p……………………….. of Knossos. Its s……………………. is so impressive! In around …………………… BC the palace and its surrounding city had a population of …………………………… people!.

**7th place:** Finally, we sailed north towards P……………………… to visit Ancient Olympia and the Cave of the Lakes. Olympia is the most important sanctuary of Ancient Greece, dedicated to ………………………, the father of Gods, and the most important r…………………….. and a………………….. … centre. Olympic G…………………….. took place there every …………………. years.

As for the Cave Lakes, they are famous for the labyrinths of c………………………….., the mysterious galleries and its strange s…………………………….. formations. Inside the caves there is a string of l………………………. that form 3 different levels. A unique, magnificent sight, indeed!”