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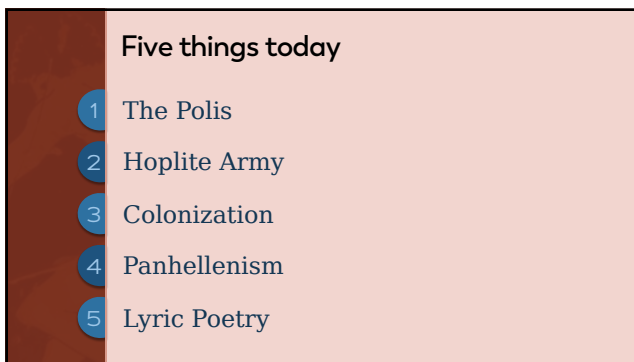
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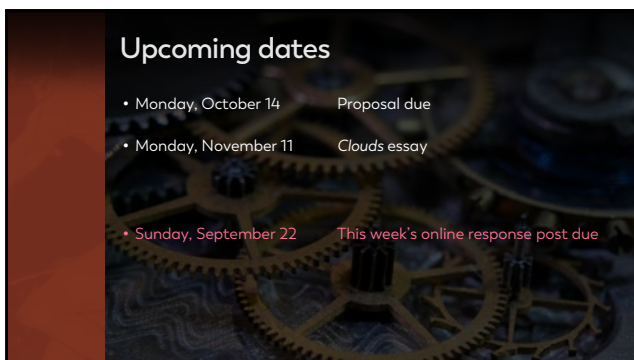
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### Quiz #2: The Greek Dark Age

- Historians sometimes call Early Iron Age Hellas the "Greek Dark Age" because
  - There was a problem with the sun
  - Everyone was poor and covered in dirt
  - ☒ The archaeological record goes suddenly blank after the collapse of the Bronze Age
  - Black clothing became the norm
- Things that continued unchanged from Mycenaean times into the Early Iron Age include all of the following EXCEPT:
  - ☒ Palace-city industry
  - Everyday agriculture
  - Religious rituals and worship
  - Use of the Greek language and storytelling about the past
- Signs of economic and cultural growth in the 9th century BCE include all of the following EXCEPT:
  - A shift from Protogeometric to more aesthetic and ambitious Geometric vase decoration
  - A market for more elaborate craft goods
  - ☒ Vast houses occupied by the superwealthy
  - Domestic luxury items like fine gold jewelry and ivory carvings
- Why are the works of Homer important?
  - ☒ Homer is credited as the author of *Iliad* and *Odyssey*
  - Iliad* and *Odyssey*
  - Theogony* and *Megamemnon*
  - Iliad*, *Pan*, and *Olin*
- The prominence of independent local chiefdoms during the Dark Age is suggested by all of the following EXCEPT:
  - Basileus*, the Mycenaean word for village chieftain, became the usual term for ruler or king
  - A "chieftain's house" with an added curved courtyard was found in various settlements
  - Wanax*, the Mycenaean word for great king, was now used only for legendary or mythical overlords like Zeus and Agamemnon
  - ☒ Only the most important man in each village was buried; the rest of the bodies were thrown away

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### “Homeric society”

- Regional diversity of custom and tradition
- Emergence of 'hellenism'
- Contrasting idea of *barbaroi*
- *Xenia* — guest friendship
- Agonal society
  - *Timē* — honor and respect
  - *Arete* — achievement of excellence

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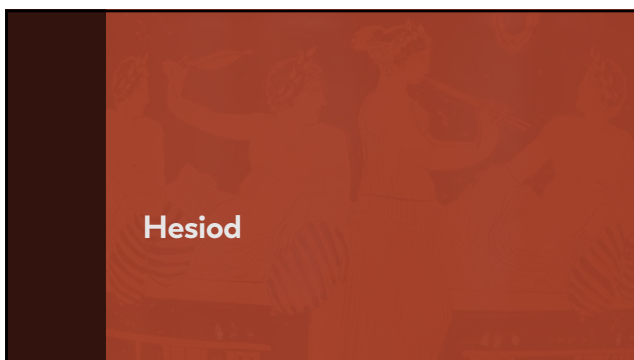
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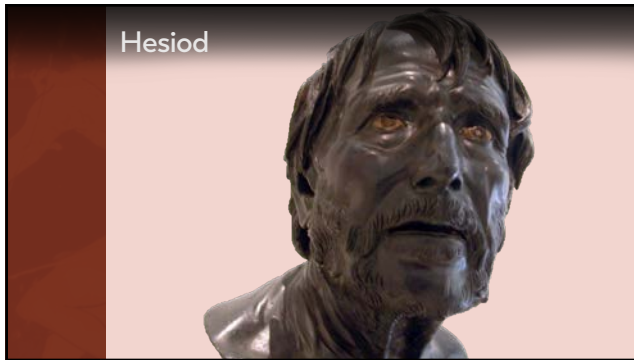
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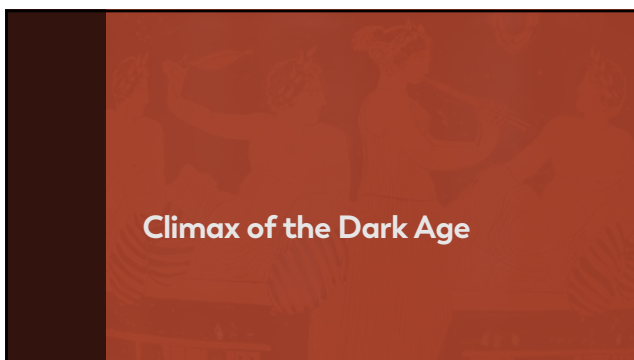
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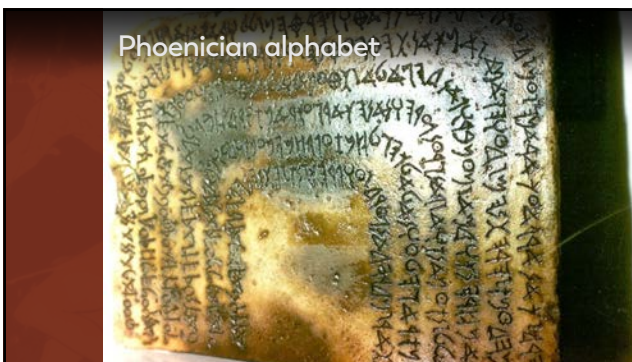
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## Dark Age political structure

- **wanax** φαναξ → ἀναξ
  - Minoan/Mycenaean term for king
  - Now used to mean high-king or overlord
    - Agamemnon (overlord of the Greeks at Troy)
    - Zeus (ruler of the gods)
- **basileus** βασιλεύς
  - Mycenaean term for mayor, headman
  - Dark age (and later) term for king
- "Big man" system – e.g., Ithaca
  - Population gravitates toward local strongmen for stability and protection
  - Authority is transient and personal

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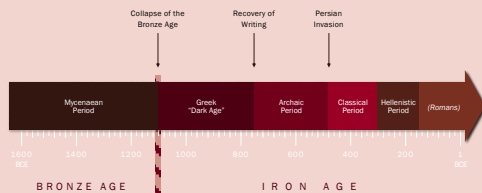
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## Periods of Greek History



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## Characteristics of the Archaic Period

- Polis
- Hoplite armies
- Knowledge through creative expression
- Lyric poetry
- Colonization
- Panhellenism

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Archaic culture

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Transition from the Dark Age



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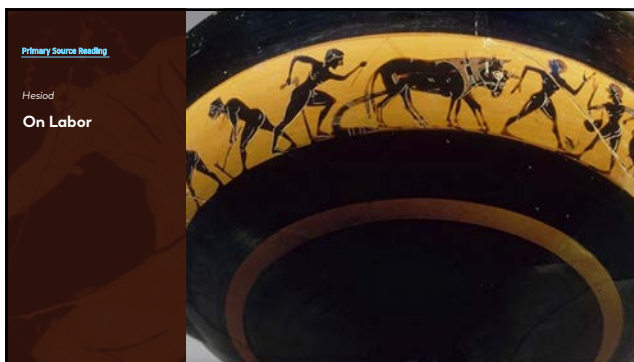
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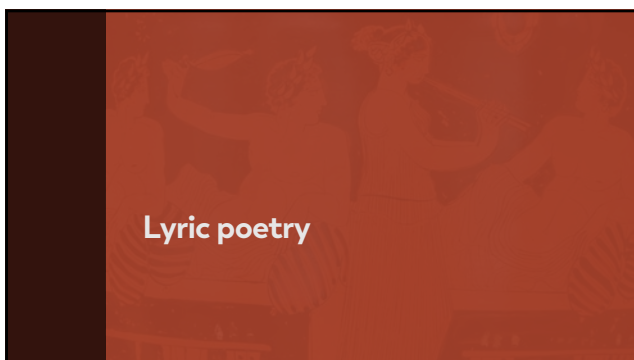
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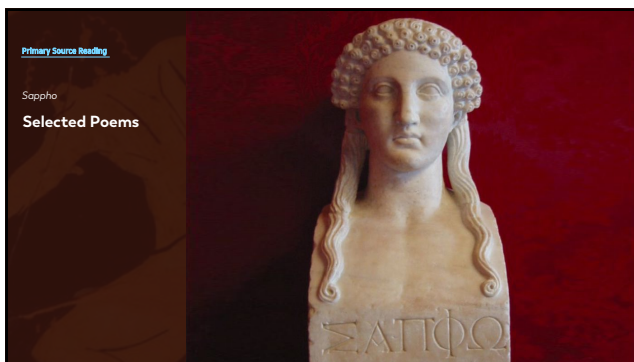
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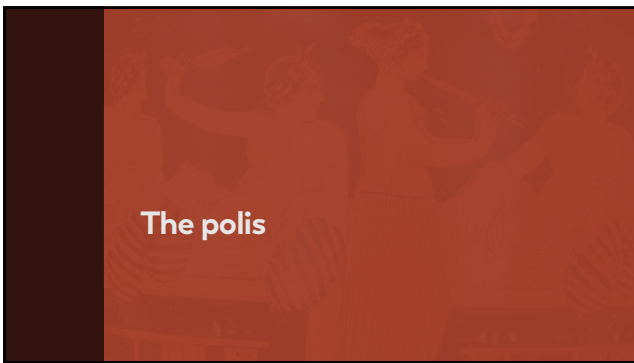
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## Characteristics of the polis

- City-state
- Synoecism
- Replacement of basileus with magistrates
- Council of "elders" (*aristo*)
- Citizen assembly (*demos*)

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## Agora



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## Social strata

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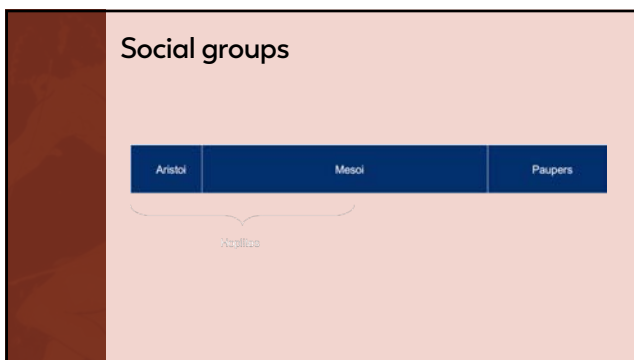
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## Other groups

- Women
- Metics
- Servile classes (usually ethnically different)
  - Helots (Sparta)
  - Slaves

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## Greek colonization

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## Colonization



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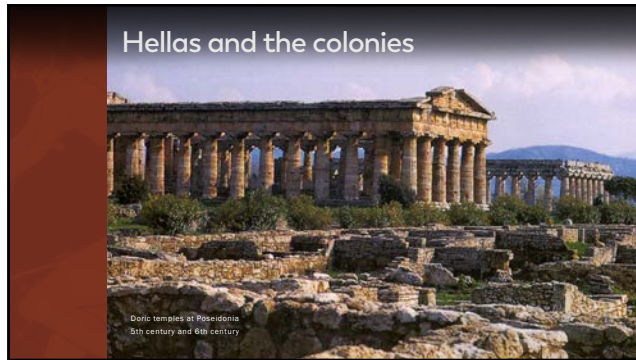
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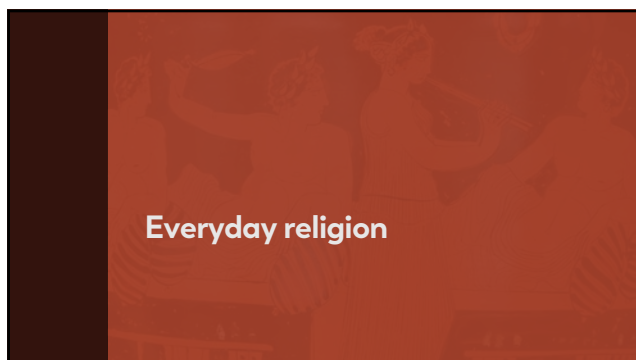
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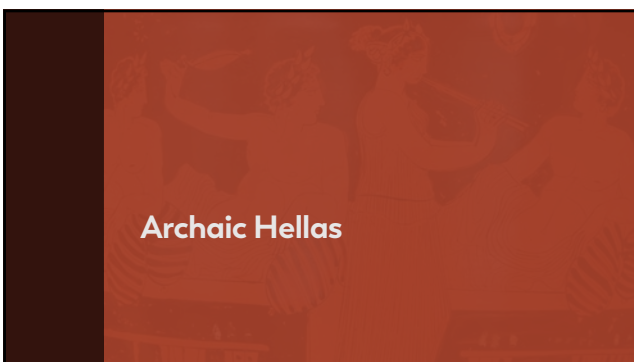
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### Dark age values in the Archaic Age

- *Xenia*            guest-friendship
- *Timē*            honor
- *Aretē*            excellence
- Agonal man

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