


History of
Ancient Greece
FALL 2024

MEETING 6

Athens and the Art of Society


- Sparta and Athens
- Archaic Athens
- Athenian transformations
- The Persians
- The Persian Wars



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Upcoming dates

- Monday, October 14 Proposal due
- Sunday, October 13 This week's online response post due



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Five things today

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Quiz #3: Sparta and the Art of War

1. To ensure an ideal warrior culture, Spartans practiced all of the following EXCEPT:

- a. physical training of all boys from age 7 onward
- b. inspection of male infants, exposing the unfit in the wilderness to die
- c. an expectation that men remain fit and ready to fight through age 60
- ☒ d. ensuring plenty of leisure for study and writing poetry to create the most well rounded soldiers

2. The helots were:

- a. protective armor worn over the skin
- ☒ b. hereditary slaves of the Spartan state
- c. elected officials in charge of the blacksmiths
- d. a form of gastrointestinal disruption

3. The "mixed constitution" of the Spartan government included all of the following EXCEPT:

- a. Two kings with military, religious, and judicial powers
- b. Five men elected to keep an eye on the kings
- ☒ c. A high priest who could overturn any law
- d. A council of old men

4. Spartan women:

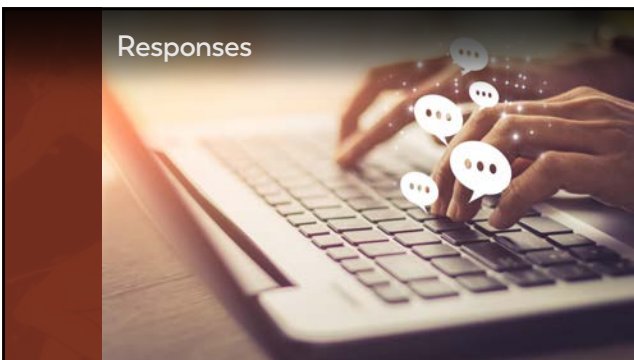
- ☒ a. were educated, exercised outside, and were well nourished
- b. wore elaborate cosmetics
- c. lived in the barracks with their husbands
- d. held the political offices so the men could focus on training as warriors

5. The Spartans called themselves:

- a. the kryptoi (the secret police)
- ☒ b. the homoioi (men of equal status)
- c. the perioikoi (the dwellers nearby)
- d. the moliastoi (the jerks)

EC: What is "the Spartan mirage"?

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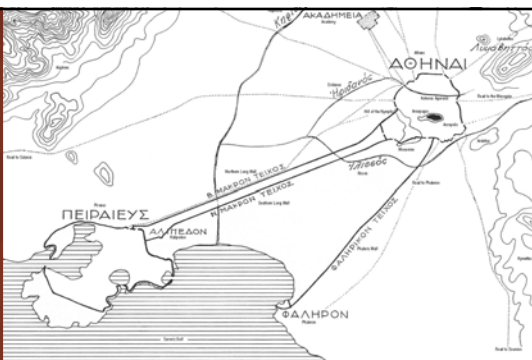
Archaic Athens

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Athens and Sparta

- How are they similar?
- How (and why) are they different?
 - Geographically
 - Ethnically
 - Culturally

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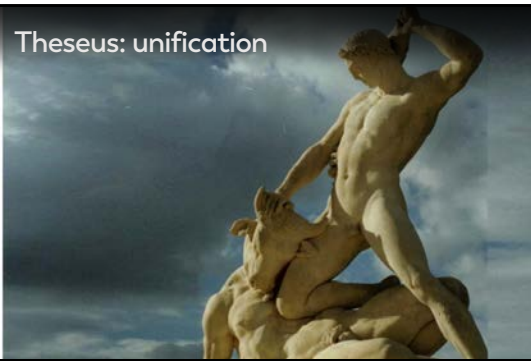
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Key early Athenian figures

- Theseus 8th century
- Draco ca. 620 BCE
- Solon ca. 590
- Pisistratus ca. 560
- Cleisthenes ca. 508

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Theseus: unification



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Eupatrids



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Cylon and Megacles

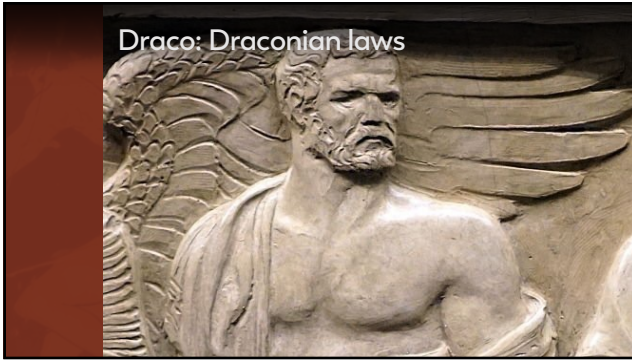


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Tyranny



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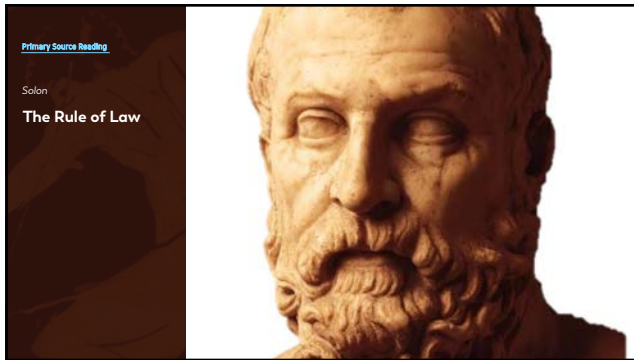
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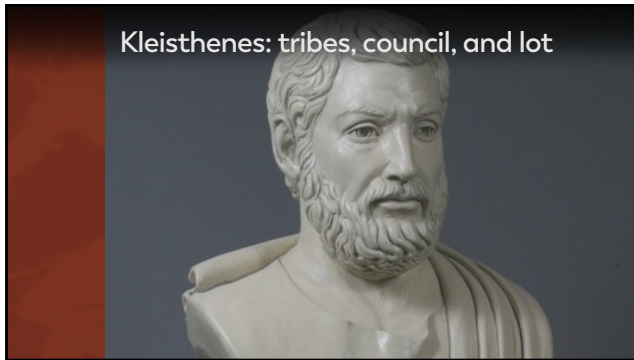
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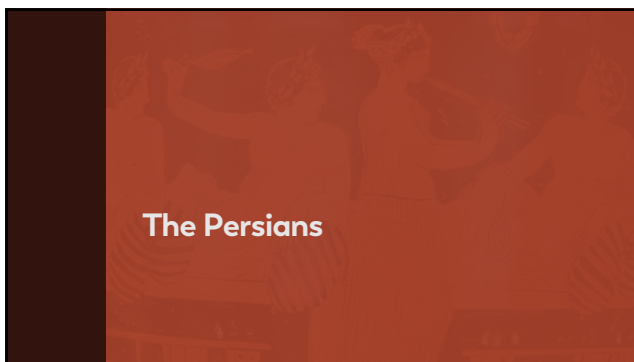
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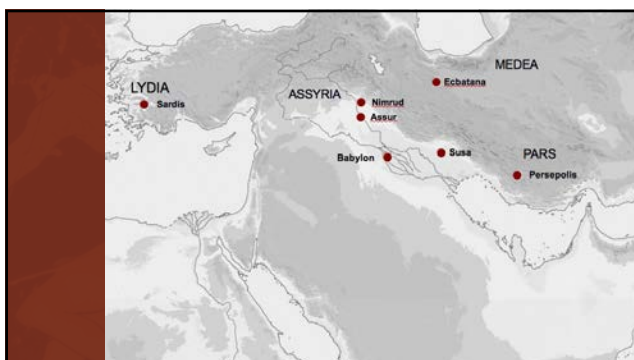
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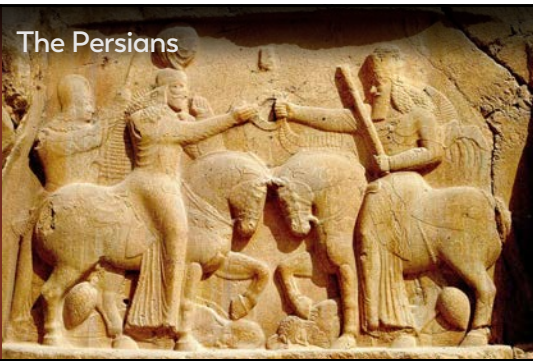
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The Medes



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The Persians

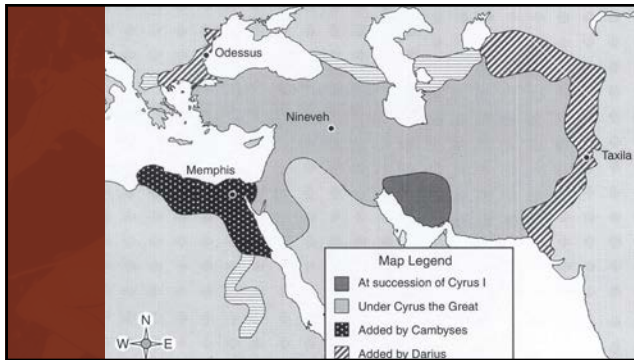


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Zoroastrianism



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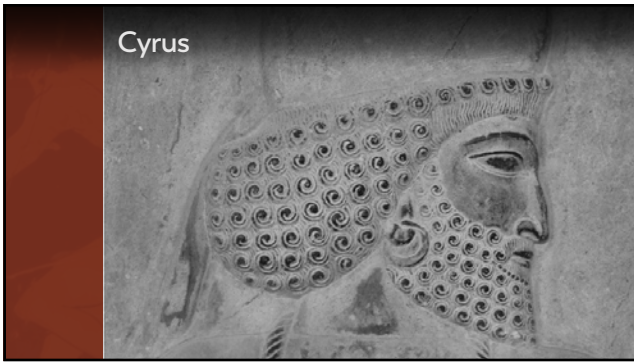
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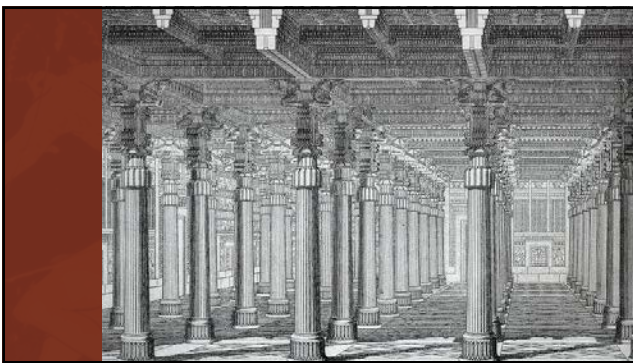
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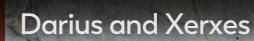
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The Persian Wars

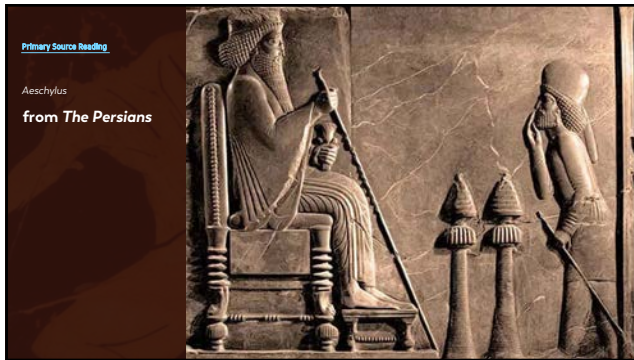
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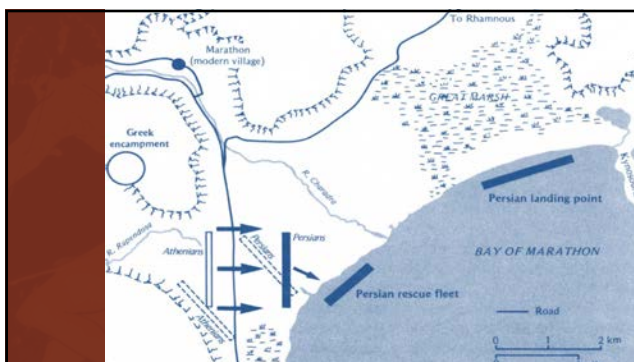


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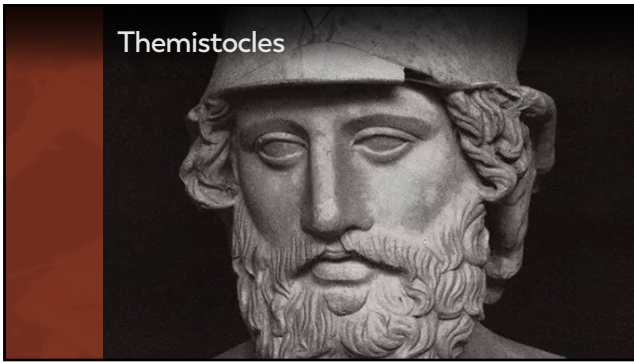
Wars with Persia

• Ionian rebellion	499 BCE
• Darius's invasion	490
• Battle of Marathon	
• Xerxes's invasion	480
• Battle of Thermopylae	
• Battle of Salamis	
• Battle of Plataea	

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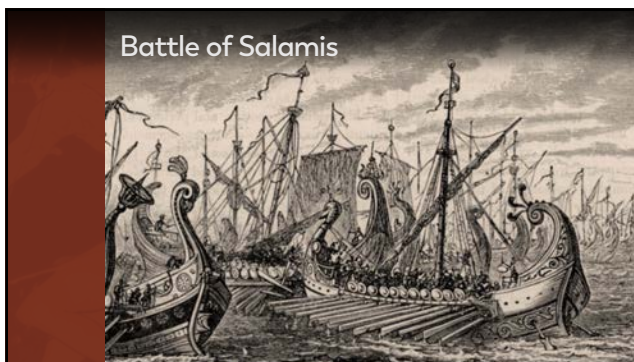
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