World History

Summer 2014

**Reading Assignment #8 – Due Monday, 6/23**

**Notes:**

* You may keep a notebook or a digital notebook for your notes. Submit your digital notebook on Thursdays via your shared folder.
* Identifications should be highlighted in green.
* When answering the identifications, be sure to define, but also **explain the significance.**

**Targets**

* I can assess the impact of war (Peloponnesian, Persian, Alexandrian) on the changing cohesiveness of ancient Greece.
* I can compare and contrast concepts of citizenship and government between Athens, Sparta, and the United States.
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* I can cite the contributions of ancient Greek civilization to modern society (including art, architecture, philosophy, etc.).
* I can explain explain how Greeks used religion and mythology to explain essential questions in life.

**5.3 – The Roots of Democracy – You dig it?**

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| **Identifications (IDs):** Pericles, Parthenon, Herodotus, philosophers  |

1. Does Pericles achieve his goals during Athens’ Golden Age? Provide evidence to support your response.

2. What elements of Athenian Democracy do our country drawn upon (refer to the chart on p. 279)?

3. How do the two types of dramas, which Greeks develop, have an impact on our society today?

4. What advantages did Athens and Sparta have during the Peloponnesian War? **Consider geographical ideas as well.**

5. Why would philosophers begin to question traditional beliefs in Athenian culture (consider the consequences of the Peloponnesian War)?

6. Complete the following table of philosophers:

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| Philosopher | Vision (Goal) | Cultural Achievement  |
| Socrates |  |  |
| Plato |  |  |
| Aristotle  |  |  |

**5.4 – The Empire of Alexander**

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| **Identifications (IDs):** Macedonia, Alexander the Great  |

1. What conditions allowed Alexander to take control of Macedonia? How did he respond to rebellions?

2. What made Alexander militarily successful in his invasion and conquering of many Persian lands?

3. Discuss whether or not Alexander would have been successful in ruling the empire if he had lived longer beyond the point of building it.

**5.5 – The Spread of Hellenistic Culture**

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| **Identifications (IDs):** Hellenistic, Alexandria, Euclid  |

1a. What makes Alexandria so geographically important for Hellenistic culture to thrive?

1b. Describe cultural offerings in Alexandria that make it highly attractive.

2. Why does the West (West Europe and eventually the United States) benefit from Alexandrian scholars of astronomy and mathematics?

3. In what ways are artistic styles innovative under Hellenistic culture?

4. Geographically, why does Hellenistic culture grow and thrive in the location that it does?