

CLASSICAL AGE OF GREECE (500-323 BC)

Political Events	Cultural Highlights
<p>Persian Wars</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Battle of Marathon (490 BC) • Thermopylae (480) • Salamis (480) • Plataea (479) • Battle of Mycale (479) <p>Spartans decide to not pursue Persians in Asia Minor</p> <p>Athens rebuilds city walls and Long Walls</p> <p>Formation of Delian League</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Athenians take over leadership of Greek cause • many Greek islands and cities in Asia Minor are liberated, including cities as far east as Pamphylia, with the <i>Battle of the Eurymedon River</i> <p>Delian League becomes an Athenian Empire</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tax shipments from Black Sea <p>Greeks bullied:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Naxos forced to remain 	<p>Socrates</p> <p>Socratic Method</p> <p>Oracle at Delphi, wisest man</p> <p>Sought to prove it wrong, asked everyone why they did what they did, found no satisfactory answer</p> <p>Sophocles</p> <p>Oedipus Rex</p> <p>Herodotus</p> <p>Reasons for Greek victory</p> <p>Thucydides History of the Peloponnesian War</p> <p><i>Hubris</i> a common element in Greek literature</p> <p>Greek emphasis on constitutions</p> <p>Colonization</p> <p>Mixed constitution</p> <p>Borrowed from Egypt?</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thasos stripped of its mainland gold mines • Carystus forced to join • Athens wars against Thebes, Corinth, and Aegina <p>Peloponnesian War</p> <p>Sparta, with Persian help, defeats Athens</p> <p>March of the Ten Thousand (401-399 BC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shows Greeks what hoplites can do in heart of Persian Empire <p>Agesilaus' planned attack on Persia</p> <p>King's Peace (387 BC)</p> <p>Second Athenian Empire</p> <p>Rise of Macedonia</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Philip II reforms Greek phalanx, utilizes heavy cavalry • Philip attacks Athenian cities along the Hellespont, and gold mines • Philip forms the League of Corinth, and plans a Persian invasion • Alexander III becomes king in 336 BC, and reigns until his death in 323 BC 	