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### Quiz #7: The Rise of Macedon

- All of the following are true about the rise of Thebes EXCEPT:
  - Their general, Epaminondas, pushed Thebes to be more aggressive
  - Their army was led by an elite force of 500 male couples known as the Sacred Band
  - Using new tactics, they defeated Sparta at the battle of Leuctra
  - With Sparta defeated, all of Greece was united under the Theban Hegemony and there were no more wars between the Greeks
- Though his domination of Greece came as much through diplomacy as conquest, Philip II is credited with revolutionizing war with the unstoppable Macedonian phalanx, which had
  - pikes that were 30 feet long
  - soldiers that were 8 feet tall
  - ranks of soldiers 80 feet apart
  - breaks in the phalanx every 45 feet
- Alexander's conquest of Persia involved all of the following EXCEPT:
  - Fulfilling a prophecy by cutting an irreplaceable knot with his sword instead of untying it
  - Forcing the Persian king to flee at the battle of Issus and capturing the king's women
  - After conquering Egypt, accepting Darius's offer to surrender the Persian empire west of the Euphrates
  - Marrying a Bactrian princess named Roxana
- By the time of his death, Alexander ruled over all of the following EXCEPT:
  - Persia
  - Egypt
  - Rome
  - Bactria
- In today's reading from *Clouds*, the debate over justice between the characters named Just and Unjust Argument is won by
  - Just Argument, by proving that justice is indeed rooted in universal law
  - Unjust Argument, by convincing Just Argument that the Athenians (i.e., the audience) are already corrupted
  - the chorus, by chasing both debaters off the stage for constantly insulting each other
  - Zeus, by intruding into the debate and breaking wind over both debaters

EC. What do you think made it possible for Alexander to conquer Persia? Try to be specific in your answer.

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### Responses

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### Ancient History – Fall 2025

 <p><b>HISTORY OF ANCIENT GREECE</b>          HIA 320 / 720          THURSDAYS 8:00–8:40 PM          The unfolding and culmination of civilization in Greece, through key transformations of Greek culture and city-states from the Bronze Age up through the hellenization of the east.  <small>3 credits • Writing intensive • Research intensive</small></p>	 <p><b>WOMEN IN ANTIQUITY</b>          HIA 311 / 750          TUESDAYS 6:00–6:40 PM          Examination of the image, role and status of women in both Ancient Greek and Roman society as seen from the important literary works of antiquity.  <small>3 credits • Writing intensive • Research intensive</small></p>	 <p><b>CIVILIZATIONS OF THE ANCIENT WORLD</b>          HIS 246          TUES/THURS 3:00–4:15 PM          A survey of the Mediterranean world, tracing the development of civilization from Mesopotamia and Egypt to ancient Greek City States and the fall of Rome.</p>
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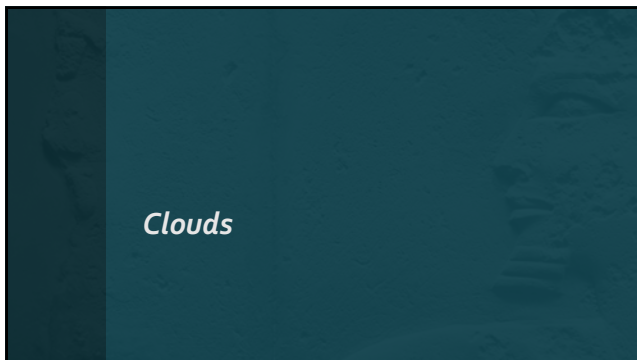
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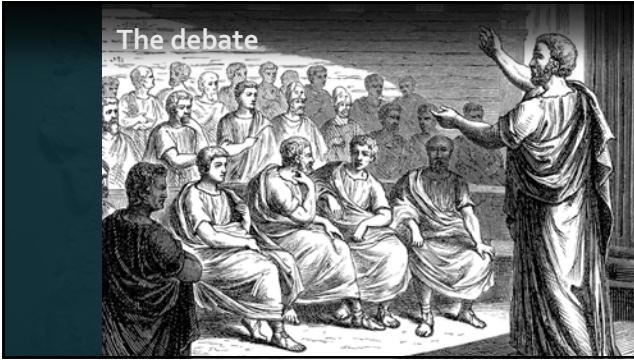
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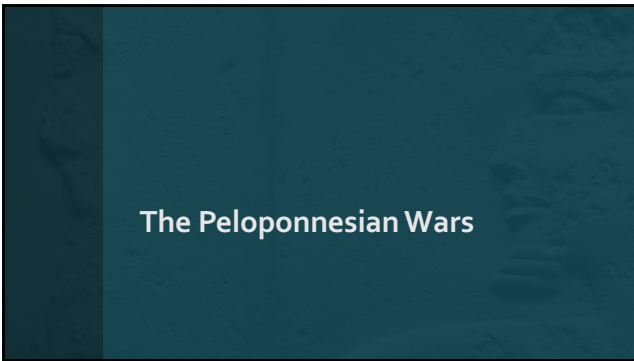
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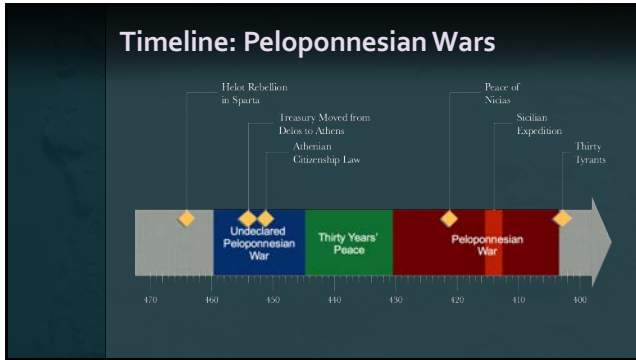
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### The Thirty Years' Peace

- Neither side interferes with allies of the other
- Neutrals free to join either side
- Arbitration of disagreements
- No one can switch sides
- Sparta and Athens can use force within their alliances

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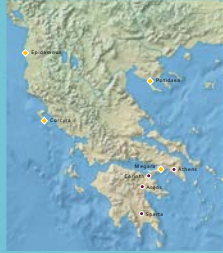
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### Breakdown of the Peace

- Epidamnus and Corcyra
- Potidaean Ultimatum
- Megaran Decrees



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### Corinth appeals to Sparta



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### Strengths and weaknesses



#### Athens and allies

- Wealth
- Undisputed advantage at sea
  - Number and quality of ships
  - Training



#### Sparta and allies

- Undisputed advantage in infantry
  - Number and quality of troops
  - Training

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### Macedon




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### "Were the Macedonians Greek?"




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### Macedon and Persia




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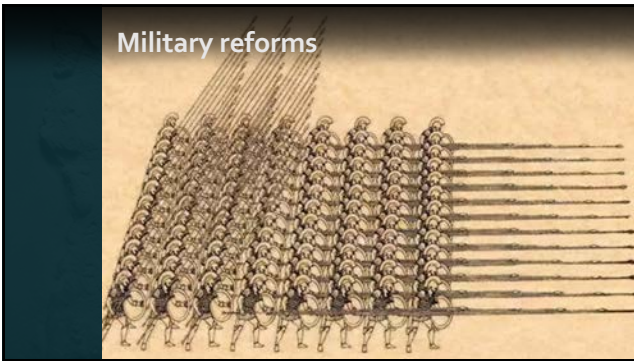
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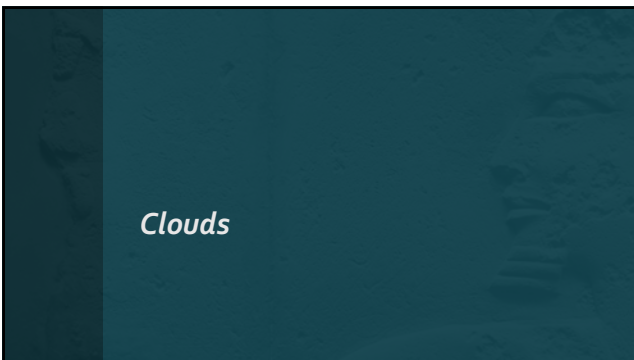
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Pheidippides's attack



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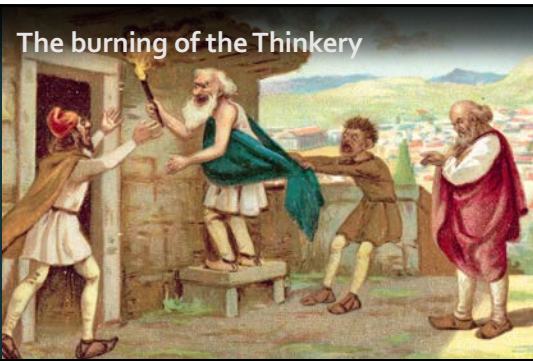
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The burning of the Thinkery



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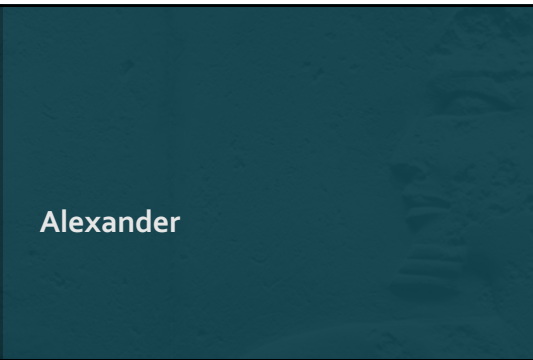
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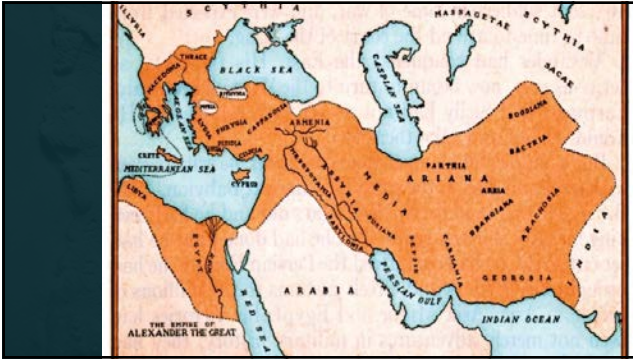
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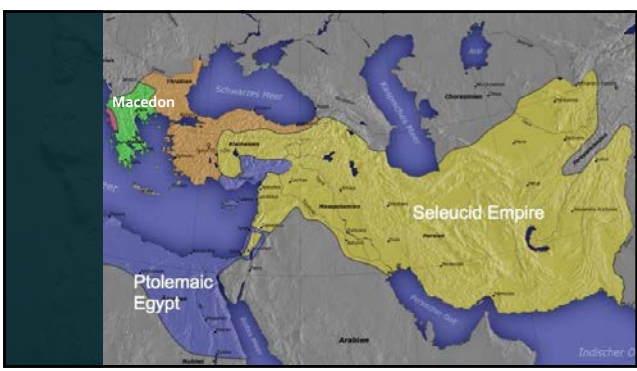
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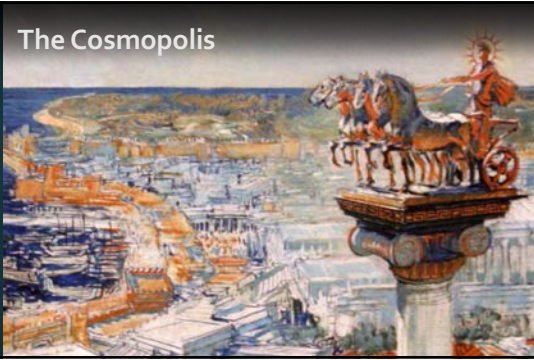
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The Cosmopolis



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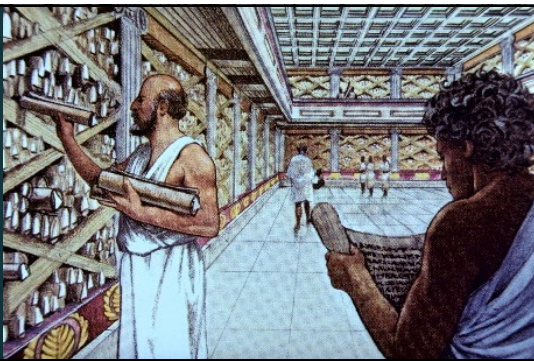
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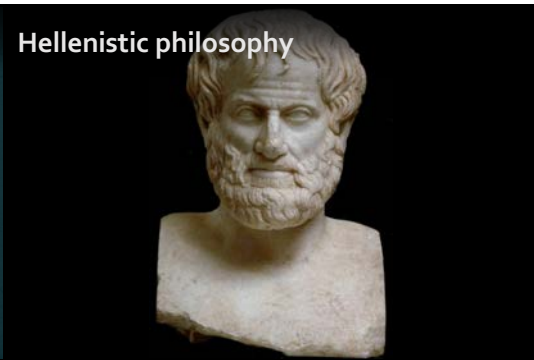
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Hellenistic philosophy



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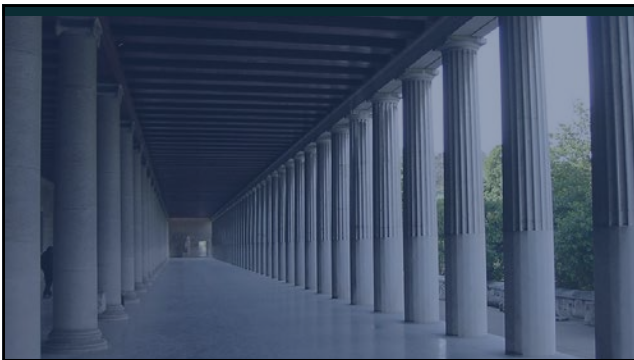
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