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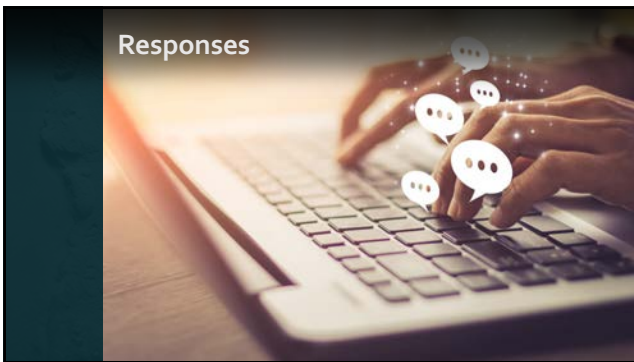
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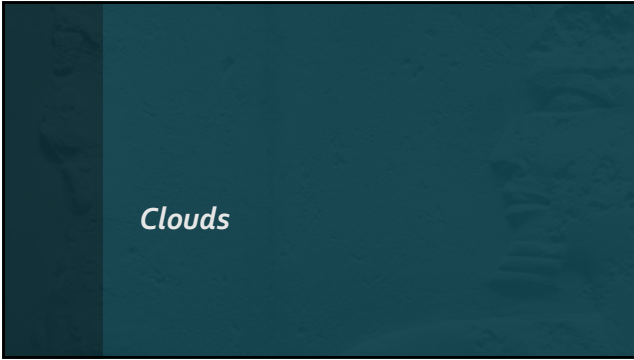
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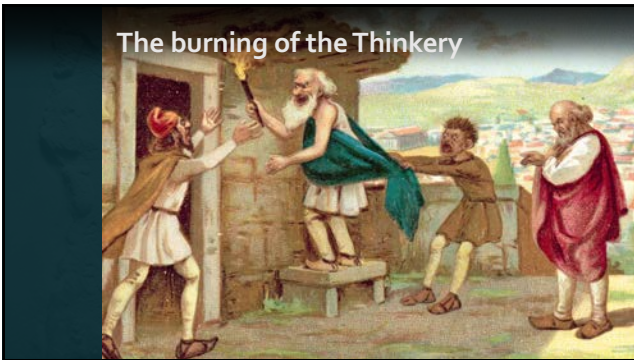
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What is *Clouds* about?



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Nomos vs. physis

- *Nomos* (convention)
  - Is morality merely arbitrarily dictated by society?
  - Protagoras: "Man is the measure of all things"
- *Physis* (nature)
  - Is there a higher sanction to be found in something else, like the natural world?
  - A search for ways to identify natural laws of morality and justice—universal truths

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Real Socrates  
Believed in *physis*

- Truth is inherent in nature
- Cannot be changed regardless of human or divine will



Sophists and  
Fake "Socrates" in *Clouds*  
Believed in *nomos*

- The truth is what people will believe
- Taught the ability to argue regardless of morality

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"Were the Macedonians Greek?"



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Macedon and Persia



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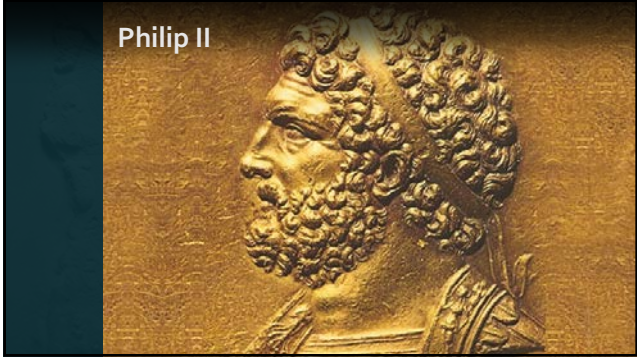
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Philip II



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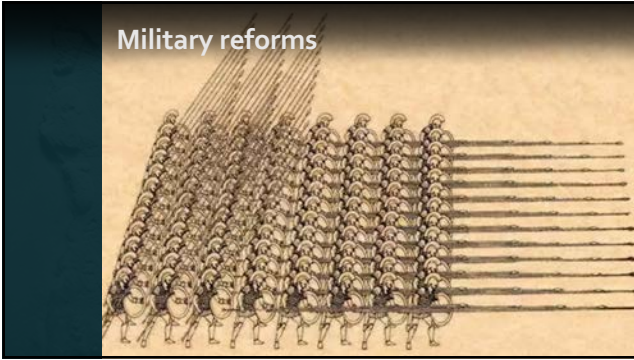
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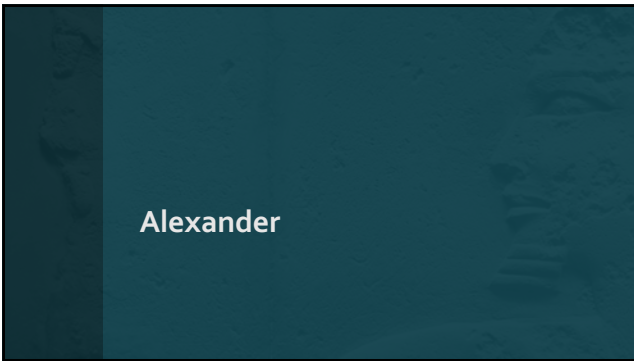
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Alexander's youth



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Alexander as a Greek



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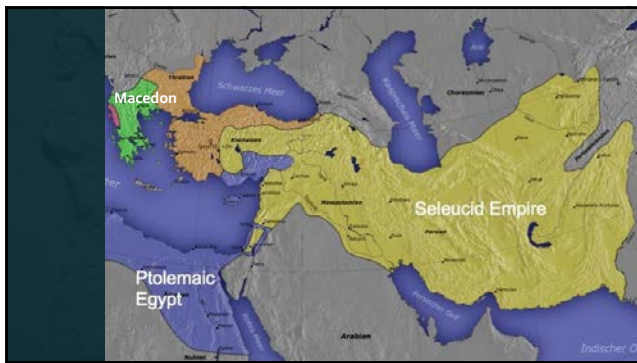
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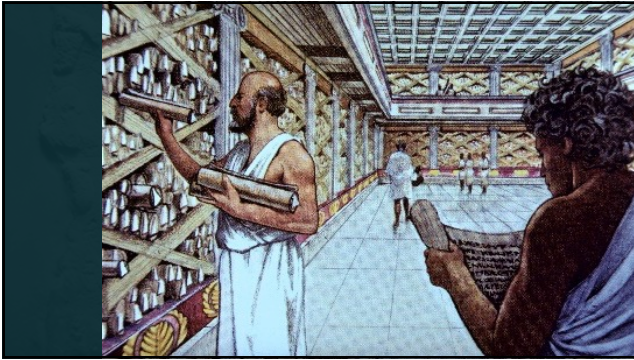
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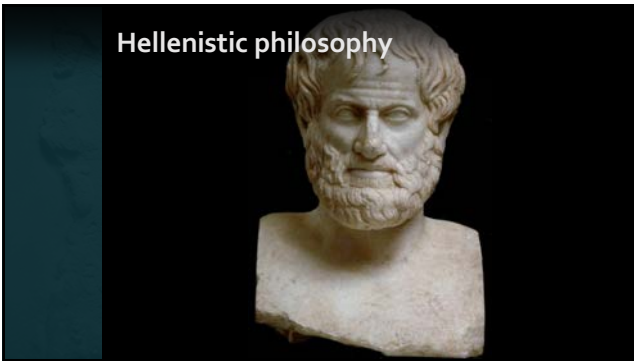
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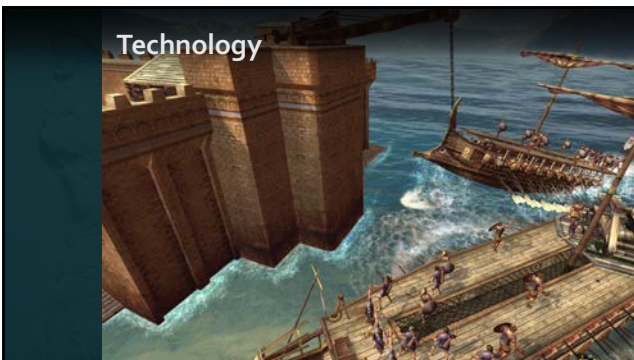
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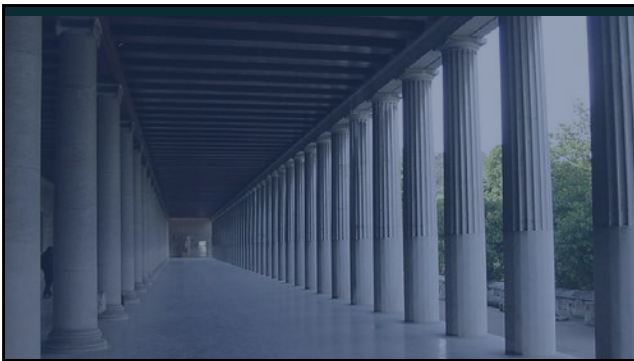
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