



PLANIT
TEACHERS

Ancient History: Pericles and Athenian Imperialism

Homework Sheet

Student Name: _____

Class: _____

Due Date: _____

Introduction and Context

Pericles was a prominent Athenian statesman who played a significant role in promoting Athenian imperialism during the 5th century BCE. This homework sheet is designed to help you understand the life and times of Pericles and his impact on the development of the Athenian Empire.

Learning Outcomes:

- Analyze the role of key figures in shaping the ancient world
- Explain the significance of historical events and developments in the ancient world
- Evaluate the impact of ancient civilizations on modern society

Research Questions

Research Questions:

1. Who was Pericles, and what were his key achievements as an Athenian statesman?
2. What were the main policies implemented by Pericles, and how did they contribute to Athenian imperialism?
3. What was the significance of the Delian League, and how did it impact the development of the Athenian Empire?

Task: Research and answer the above questions using primary and secondary sources.

Primary Source Analysis

Primary Source: The Funeral Oration of Pericles (Thucydides, The History of the Peloponnesian War, Book 2, Chapter 35-46)

Task: Read and analyze the primary source, answering the following questions:

- What is the purpose of the Funeral Oration?
- What does the speech reveal about Pericles' values and beliefs?
- How does the speech contribute to our understanding of Athenian imperialism?

Essay Question

Essay Question: How did Pericles promote Athenian imperialism, and what were the consequences of his policies?

Task: Write a well-structured essay addressing the question, using evidence from primary and secondary sources to support your arguments.

Source Evaluation

Source Evaluation: Evaluate the reliability and usefulness of a primary source, such as the Funeral Oration of Pericles.

Task: Consider the following questions:

- What is the purpose of the source?
- Who is the author, and what is their perspective?
- What biases or limitations may be present in the source?
- How does the source contribute to our understanding of Pericles and Athenian imperialism?

Write a short report (approx. 500 words) presenting your evaluation of the source.

Creative Project

Creative Project: Create a creative project that explores the life and times of Pericles, such as:

- A short story or script
- A poem or song
- A visual project, such as a poster, infographic, or comic strip
- A multimedia presentation, such as a video or podcast

Task: Ensure your project is well-researched, engaging, and effectively communicates your understanding of Pericles and Athenian imperialism.

Multiple Choice Questions

Multiple Choice Questions:

1. Who was the author of the Funeral Oration of Pericles?
 - a) Thucydides
 - b) Plutarch
 - c) Aristophanes
 - d) Pericles
2. What was the main purpose of the Delian League?
 - a) To promote Athenian imperialism
 - b) To defend against the Persian Empire
 - c) To establish trade relationships with other city-states
 - d) To promote democracy in Athens

Task: Answer the multiple choice questions, using evidence from primary and secondary sources to support your answers.

Short Answer Questions

Short Answer Questions:

1. What were the key factors that contributed to Pericles' success as a leader?
2. How did Pericles' policies affect the development of the Athenian Empire?
3. What are the most important lessons that can be learned from studying Pericles and Athenian imperialism?

Task: Answer the short answer questions, using evidence from primary and secondary sources to support your answers.

Extension Activity

Extension Activity: Research and create a timeline of the major events of Pericles' life and the development of the Athenian Empire.

Task: Ensure your timeline is accurate, detailed, and visually engaging.

Conclusion and Reflection

Conclusion: Summarize the key points learned about Pericles and Athenian imperialism.

Reflection: Reflect on what you have learned, and how you can apply this knowledge to your understanding of the ancient world and its impact on modern society.

Task: Write a short reflection (approx. 200 words) on your learning experience.