

# Guided Reading Activity



## The Ancient Greeks

### Lesson 3 *Classical Greece*

#### Review Questions

**Directions:** Read each main idea. Use your textbook to supply the details that support or explain each main idea.

**A. Main Idea:** After rival Greek city-states united to defeat the Persians, they were free to develop their own empire.

**1. Detail:** In the mid-sixth century B.C., the Persian Empire controlled the \_\_\_\_\_ Greek cities in western \_\_\_\_\_, and in 490 B.C., they made an unsuccessful attempt to capture \_\_\_\_\_.

**2. Detail:** After an extended war against \_\_\_\_\_, the Greeks, Spartans, and Athenians united to defeat the Persians at \_\_\_\_\_ and again at \_\_\_\_\_.

**B. Main Idea:** The Classical period of Athenian and Greek history lasted from and 461 B.C. to 429 B.C. Historians have called this period the Age of Pericles, in which Athens reached the height of its power and brilliance.

**1. Detail:** Under Athenian leadership, the \_\_\_\_\_ League liberated virtually all of the Greek states in the \_\_\_\_\_ from Persian control.

**2. Detail:** Pericles created a direct \_\_\_\_\_ that included every male citizen and used \_\_\_\_\_ to protect against ambitious politicians.

**3. Detail:** Most people in the ancient world owned \_\_\_\_\_, who worked in the \_\_\_\_\_, in the home, or on government \_\_\_\_\_ projects.

**4. Detail:** Athenian women were \_\_\_\_\_, but they were excluded from \_\_\_\_\_ life and expected to work chiefly at \_\_\_\_\_.

**C. Main Idea:** After they defeated Persia, the Greek city-states returned to rivalry and war among themselves.

**1. Detail:** After they defeated the Persians, Athens and the Delian League formed the \_\_\_\_\_ Empire, while Sparta and its supporters formed a rival \_\_\_\_\_ League.

**2. Detail:** The Great \_\_\_\_\_ between Sparta and \_\_\_\_\_ weakened the major Greek states and allowed them to fall prey to the growing \_\_\_\_\_ empire.

