Ancient Greece Test 1 Study Guide

1. the dates of the Bronze Age
2. the dates of the Dark Age
3. the dates of the Archaic Age
4. the dates of the Classical Age
5. the dates of the Hellenistic Age
6. the "Hellenes"
7. the origin of our word "Greeks"
8. "barbarians"
9. humanism
10. Greek contributions to esthetics
11. Greek contributions to our ideas about our souls
12. Greek intellectual contributions
13. Greek political contributions
14. the Greeks’ minor contributions to Western civilization
15. the topography of mainland Greece
16. Anatolia
17. Hellas
18. northern Greece
19. central Greece
20. the Peloponnese
21. the Aegean
22. Euboea
23. Ionia
24. the natural resources of Greece
25. the Mediterranean climate
26. Heinrich Schliemann
27. Minos
28. the origins of the term ‘Minoan’
29. Sir Arthur Evans
30. Michael Ventris
31. Linear A
32. Linear B
33. Crete’s geography
34. the importance of the Minoans
35. the settlement of Crete
36. Minoan identity
37. the importance of Knossos
38. the proto-Palatial (or Old Palace) Period
39. Minoan culture
40. Minoan religion
41. Minoan political organization
42. Minoan palaces
43. the economic organization of Minoan Crete
44. the role of the Minoan palaces
45. the layout of Minoan palaces
46. Minoan trade
47. the palace at Knossos
48. Minoan male dress
49. Minoan female dress
50. Minoan religion
51. the Cretan Zeus
52. Akrotiri/Santorini/Thera
53. the neo-Palatial Period
54. Minoan political organization
55. Minoan kings
56. the end of Minoan Crete
57. Herodotus and Thucydides on the Minoan ‘thalassocracy’
58. the arguments in favor of a Minoan ‘thalassocracy’
59. the Labyrinth and the meaning of ‘labyrinth’
60. Theseus
61. Ariadne
62. the Minotaur
63. the Mycenaean in Crete
64. sources for Bronze Age Greece
65. the meaning of ‘Indo-European’
66. legends about the arrival of the Greeks in Greece
67. archaeological evidence for the arrival of the Greeks
68. ‘Helladic’
69. the ‘Achaeans’
70. the ‘Pelasgians’
71. the location of Mycenae itself
72. the Grave Circle dynasties at Mycenae
73. what we learned from Grave Circles A and B
74. the siting of early Mycenaean settlements
75. ‘Cyclopaean’ architecture
76. tholos tombs
77. the Tholos Tomb Dynasty at Mycenae
78. the Lion Gate
79. the megaron
80. the palace at Pylos
81. the Treasury of Atreus
82. the gods of Mycenaean Greece
83. the importance of Mycenae in Bronze Age Greece
84. the government of Mycenaean Greece
85. the internal political structure Mycenaean communities
86. wanax
87. hequetai
88. lawagetas
89. the types of troops in Mycenaean armies
90. Mycenaean armor and weapons, 1600-1350 BCE
91. Mycenaean armor and weapons, post-1350 BCE
92. Mycenaean tactics
93. the Hittite evidence for Mycenaean history
94. Linear B tablets as sources of information about Mycenaean Greece
95. Mycenaean commercial expansion to c. 1350 BCE
96. Ahhiyawa
97. signs of trouble in Mycenaean Greece after c. 1350 BCE
98. political turmoil in Mycenaean Greece between 1350 and 1200 BCE
99. the nature of the threat to Mycenaean Greece
100. mounting insecurity in the early 13th century BCE
101. the ‘Catastrophe of 1200 BCE’
102. the period of time covered by the Iliad
103. the ‘Dorian Invasion’
104. the ‘Heracleidae’
105. characteristics of the fall of the Mycenaean palaces
106. Pylos and the fall of Mycenaean civilization
107. heroic culture and the collapse of Mycenaean Greece
108. the Trojan War and the fall of Mycenaean Greece
109. the Sea Peoples
110. the Philistines
111. Homer as a source of information about Mycenaean and Dark Age Greece
112. Dorians
113. Ionians
114. Greek dialects
115. the economy of Dark Age Greece
116. iron smelting
117. the basileus
118. phyle
119. phratría
120. genos
121. oikos
122. Dark Age political organization
123. law in Dark Age Greece
124. administration of justice in Dark Age Greece
125. Mount Olympus
126. Elysium
127. Hades
128. Dark Age Greek villages
129. the Ceramicus
130. cremation and inhumation

Essay Questions

1. In what ways did Greek civilization contribute to the development of Western civilization? Be specific and explain each of your points fully.
2. How did geography influence the political organization and economy of ancient Greece? Be specific and explain each of your points fully.
3. What were the characteristics of Minoan civilization? Be specific and explain each of your points fully.
4. What were the characteristics of Mycenaean civilization? Be specific and explain each of your points fully.
5. How did Minoan and Mycenaean civilizations resemble each other? How were they different?
6. What were the underlying and immediate causes of the collapse of Mycenaean civilization?