





ATHENS VS. SPARTA ESSAY

YOUR FAMILY IS CONSIDERING MOVING TO EITHER ANCIENT ATHENS OR ANCIENT SPARTA. YOU NEED TO CONVINCÉ THEM WHERE THEY SHOULD LIVE (ATHENS OR SPARTA) AND EXPLAIN YOUR REASONING WITH EXAMPLES. USE YOUR KNOWLEDGE OF THESE TWO CITY-STATES TO WRITE A LETTER PERSUADING YOUR FAMILY TO MAKE THE RIGHT CHOICE.

1. WHEN YOU WRITE YOUR LETTER, MAKE SURE TO CONSIDER THREE OF THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

-  TRADE AND PROSPERITY (ECONOMY)
-  TREATMENT OF NON-CITIZENS (WOMEN/SLAVES)
-  QUALITY OF LIFE (INCLUDING EDUCATION)
-  GOVERNMENT

2. MAKE SURE TO SUPPORT YOUR OPINION AND EXPLAIN YOUR ARGUMENTS CLEARLY. YOU MUST USE INFORMATION FROM THE IN-CLASS READINGS AND/OR THE TEXTBOOK.

3. YOUR ESSAY WILL INCLUDE: AN **INTRODUCTION** WITH A THESIS STATEMENT (STATING YOUR DECISION), **THREE BODY PARAGRAPHS** (ONE FOR EACH AREA YOU CHOSE), AND A **CONCLUSION**.

4. REMEMBER THAT YOUR GRADE REFLECTS **WRITING** (HOW WELL THE ESSAY IS CONSTRUCTED) AS WELL AS **CONTENT** (THE ACCURACY AND USE OF INFORMATION LEARNED IN CLASS).