

SACS Area B Convention 2004
Greek History Test

Choose the best answer. All dates are B.C.

1. Heinrich Schliemann was largely responsible for discovering the following ancient sites EXCEPT
A. Ithaca B. Mycenae C. Knossos D. Troy
2. This civilization dominated the Aegean basin from about 1600-1400.
A. Mycenaean B. Phoenician C. Minoan D. Dorian
3. The slaves that supported the Spartan city-state were called
A. hoplites B. helots C. homoioi D. hetairoi
4. The Pythian games were established in 582 at which site?
A. Dodona B. Athens C. Delos D. Delphi
5. The great sculptor, Pheidias, was credited with the following works EXCEPT
A. Parthenon B. Olympian Zeus C. Eleutherion D. Athena Parthenos
6. Alexander the Great was tutored by this great philosopher.
A. Plato B. Archimedes C. Anaximander D. Aristotle
7. Who declared illegal the pledging of oneself as collateral for a loan and cancelled all debts in Athens?
A. Pericles B. Draco C. Solon D. Peisistratis
8. The Spartan general Pausanias defeated the Persians in 479 at the battle of
A. Plataea B. Marathon C. Salamis D. Thermopylae
9. This philosopher foretold a total eclipse of the sun in the year 585.
A. Anaximenes B. Thales C. Zeno D. Anaximander
10. In 483, this Athenian leader convinced the Assembly to use a newly discovered silver mine to fortify the navy for defense against Aegina and, possibly, Persia.
A. Pericles B. Cleisthenes C. Miltiades D. Themistocles
11. This Greek tragedian also fought at the battles of Marathon and Salamis.
A. Euripides B. Aeschylus C. Sophocles D. Menander
12. Alexander the Great's last victory before his death was won at
A. Damascus B. Hyphasis C. Babylon D. Gaugemala
13. In 514, Harmodius and Aristogeiton assassinated this Athenian tyrant.
A. Peisistratis B. Hippocrates C. Hipparchus D. Hippias
14. The Greek who guided the Persians through the mountain path to outflank the Spartans at Thermopylae.
A. Hydarnes B. Leontes C. Ephialtes D. Clinias

15. The Peloponnesian League was formed by
A. Sparta B. Corinth C. Athens D. Pharsalus
16. This Athenian orator tried to rouse popular sentiment against Phillip II with a series of speeches.
A. Isocrates B. Gorgias C. Lysias D. Demosthenes
17. To where did the Ionians migrate during the Dorian invasion?
A. Thrace B. Asia Minor C. Peloponessus D. Attica
18. This Persian commander was defeated at the battle of Plataea.
A. Mardonius B. Darius C. Xerxes D. Cyrus
19. In 463, which island seceded from the Delian Laegue, only to be captured by Athens?
A. Naxos B. Thasos C. Delos D. Lemnos
20. Who was Pericles' girlfriend and also his trusted advisor?
A. Roxane B. Xanthippe C. Hetaira D. Aspasia
21. The historian who wrote of the Peloponnesian War.
A. Pausanias B. Thucydides C. Herodotus D. Xenophon
22. Solon was responsible for all of the following, EXCEPT
A. creating law courts B. minting Athens' first coins C. expulsion of the Peisistratids D. Council of 400
23. What was the main metal used to make weapons during the time of the Trojan War?
A. tin B. iron C. bronze D. copper
24. In what year did Athens suffer a plague that would eventually result in Pericles' death?
A. 540 B. 500 C. 430 D. 390
25. The Spartan commander who led and died with his troops at Thermopylae.
A. Lysander B. Leontes C. Lysurgus D. Leonidas
26. This Athenian commander was ostracized for Medism in the 470's.
A. Themistocles B. Pericles C. Nicias D. Cleisthenes
27. The exemplar of the Thirty Tyrants of the year 404 quoted saying, "All changes of constitution involve bloodshed", was
A. Critias B. Callibius C. Theramenes D. Dracontides
28. In 457, Pericles led an unsuccessful battle against
A. Sparta B. Boeotia C. Aegina D. Miletus
29. In the Peloponnesian War, the Athenian defeat in which battle of 422 led to the Peace of Nicias?
A. Sphacteria B. Amphipolis C. Aegospotami D. Nicias
30. Plato, in an attempt to put his philosophy into action, tutored this tyrant to be a "philosopher-king".
A. Timoleon B. Mamercus C. Dion D. Dionysius

31. What was the most likely date for the Fall of Troy?
A. 753 B. 850 C. 1250 D. 1400
32. Which Athenian ruler enacted a law making the stealing of cabbage punishable by death?
A. Cleisthenes B. Draco C. Cylon D. Solon
33. Around 510, this ambitious aristocrat tried to disband the Areopagus Council and seize the Acropolis.
A. Cleisthenes B. Peisistratis C. Cleomenes D. Hippias
34. Athens rose to its cultural "Golden Age" under the leadership of
A. Pericles B. Periander C. Hippias D. Hipparchus
35. The Ionians were the direct ancestors of the
A. Athenians B. Mycenaeans C. Spartans D. Thracians
36. The Olympian games were held every four years in honor of
A. Herakles B. Apollo C. Minos D. Zeus
37. Alexander made a harsh example of this city-state to prove his power over Greece in 335.
A. Corinth B. Thebes C. Athens D. Sparta
38. Homer is said to have composed his epics, The Iliad and The Odyssey, during which century?
A. 9th B. 8th C. 7th D. 6th
39. Conon narrowly escaped Lysander's fleet in a surprise attack which captured 171 Athenian ships at
A. Aegospotami B. Oropus C. Aulis D. Salamis
40. Which Athenian general was accused of defacing the herms on the eve of the Athenian expedition to Sicily in 415?
A. Critias B. Themistocles C. Alcibiades D. Pericles
41. Which Persian stronghold was sacked in 498?
A. Sardis B. Smyrna C. Pergamum D. Lycia
42. The organization of Greek city-states formed in defense against Persia in 481 was known as
A. The Corinthian League B. The Delian League C. The Hellenic League D. The Athenian League
43. Which Athenian leader was NOT a victim of ostracism?
A. Alcibiades B. Pericles C. Themistocles D. Aristides
44. Which battle was NOT fought against the Persians?
A. Salamis B. Thermopylae C. Marathon D. Delium
45. The greatest disaster for the Delian League occurred when Athenian allies were expelled by the Persians, in 454, from
A. Cythera B. Egypt C. Byzantium D. Hellespont

46. The general who led the Spartan victory at Amphipolis was
A. Cleon B. Brasidas C. Leontides D. Cleomenes
47. What event in Sparta in 464 led to a revolt of the helots?
A. plague B. famine C. over-taxation D. earthquake
48. In 411, the Council of 400 in Athens was deposed and replaced by
A. The rule of 5000 B. The Assembly of 600 C. The Thirty Tyrants D. The Six Generals
49. The last major operation of the Persian Wars was led by which Greek general at Sestus?
A. Miltiades B. Leotychidas C. Mardonius D. Xanthippus
50. On which charge was Socrates NOT prosecuted?
A. corrupting the youth B. reviling the gods of Athens C. treason D. introducing new gods
51. Coinage was first introduced in the Aegean by
A. Lydia B. Ionia C. Phrygia D. Lycia
52. The shields of Persian soldiers were made of
A. ox hide B. bronze C. wicker D. copper
53. At the battle of Chaeronea, Athens and Thebes were conquered by
A. Darius II B. Alexander C. Artaxerxes D. Phillip II
54. In 479, Pausanias defeated the Persians in which battle?
A. Mycale B. Plataea C. Salamis D. Marathon
55. In the Messenian Revolt, to whom did Sparta appeal for help?
A. Corinth B. Thebes C. Athens D. Boeotia
56. At the height of Minoan civilization, a cataclysmic volcanic eruption destroyed this island around 1650.
A. Thera B. Crete C. Naxos D. Melos
57. In 478, after Pausanias captured Cyprus and Byzantium from the Persians, this League was formed.
A. Corinthian League B. Hellenic League C. Boeotian League D. Delian League
58. Alexander's Iranian wife whom he fell in love with after seizing her father's fortress.
A. Aspasia B. Cleopatra C. Roxanna D. Heitaira
59. "The Immortals" were an elite group of soldiers from
A. Athens B. Persia C. Sparta D. Thebes
60. Who, disguised as prostitutes, killed all the Spartan commanders at a symposium in 378 BC
A. Corinthians B. Athenians C. Thebans D. Cretans
61. In Athens, the first European university, named the Academy, was created in 388 by
A. Plato B. Pythagoras C. Aristotle D. Zeno

62. In 510, this Athenian tyrant was overthrown by the Alcmaeonid clan, with Spartan aid, and was granted asylum by Persia.
A. Hipparchus B. Critias C. Hippias D. Peisistratis
63. Which Athenian general defeated the Spartans at Cnidus in 394?
A. Conon B. Cimon C. Cleomenes D. Cleon
64. Which runner was dispatched from Marathon to Sparta to request aid, traveling 140 miles in one night?
A. Ephialtes B. Miltiades C. Phillipides D. Myron
65. Where was the treasure of the Delian League first located?
A. Delos B. Naxos C. Delphi D. Corinth
66. Unsatisfied with this island's claim of neutrality in the Peloponnesian War, Athens seized it, killed all men and enslaved the women and children.
A. Thasos B. Lemnos C. Naxos D. Melos
67. In 444, Pericles and this general were voted on to see who would be ostracized.
A. Thucydides B. Themistocles C. Alcibiades D. Aristides
68. The "Long Walls" linked Athens to
A. Eleusis B. Piraeus C. Marathon D. Aulis
69. Socrates was executed by
A. beheading B. being thrown from a cliff C. strangulation D. drinking poison
70. Herodotus wrote about these wars.
A. Persian B. Peloponnesian C. Carthaginian D. Macedonian
- TIE-BREAKERS** (note the change in numbering and mark the corresponding number on your answer sheet.)
96. Alexander named the town of Bucephala after his
A. unborn son B. horse C. maternal grandfather D. mythic ancestor
97. In what year was the great statue of Athena Parthenos dedicated at the Parthenon?
A. 504 B. 340 C. 438 D. 280
98. Who is credited with saying, "Athens is the school of all Greece."
A. Sophocles B. Socrates C. Plato D. Pericles
99. The script known as Linear B was used by the
A. Mycenaeans B. Phoenicians C. Minoans D. Hittites
100. Alcibiades was accused of sacrilege when he dressed as a woman and attended this religious festival.
A. Dionysia B. Thesmophoria C. Panathenaea D. Eleusinian Mysteries