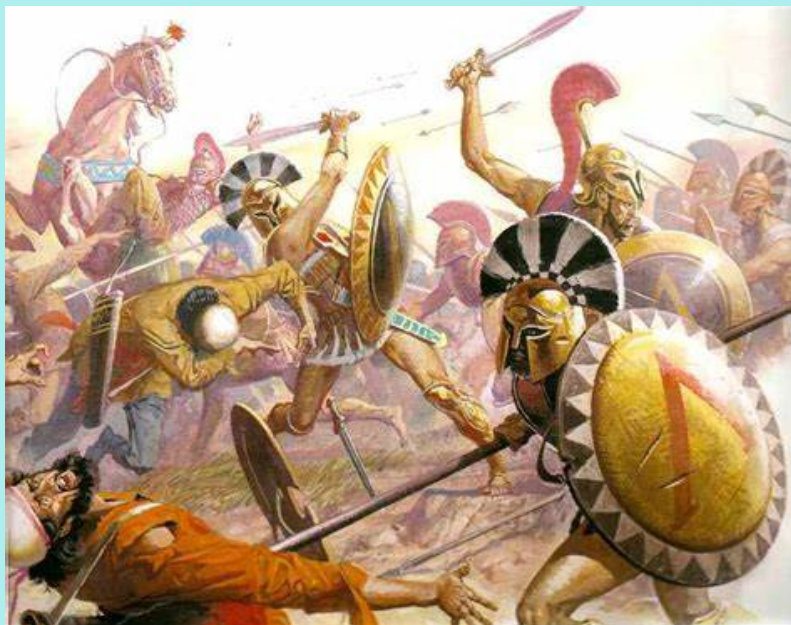


Tuesday 26th January 2021

LO: can I understand how Sparta and Athens joined together to fight in the Persian Wars?

SC:

- Sparta and Athens were enemies but they joined together to fight the Persians.
- King Darius led the Persians.
- King Darius thought it would be easy to conquer Greece, but he was wrong.



Recap:

The city-states were not one country, they fought each other and had different rules.

Spartans were warriors.

Athenians were thinking about democracy.

Vocabulary:

Persia - the Persians were another civilisation that was growing to the east of Greece (around modern day Iran). The Persians had conquered Babylon and Egypt



Allies - uniting together with someone for a common interest.

Conquered - having been overcome or taken control of through military force.

Empire - a group of states or countries ruled over by a single monarch.

The Persians first came to Greece around 492 BCE. They conquered a region called Ionia in 492 BCE, but Ionia didn't want to back down.

Persia was based in modern day Iran, and their forces conquered a number of Greek cities on the Ionian coast in modern day Turkey.

The people of Ionia ask Athens for help, who then sent ships and soldiers to fight the Persians.

The Persian king called Darius was furious that the Greeks were fighting back and this led to a thirty-year war between Greeks and Persians.

The war against the Persians caused the city-states in Greece to unite to fight a common enemy (to become allies).

Task:

Write a dialogue/play script (using your own imagination) with King Darius and his men plotting to invade Greece and then being surprised the city-states united to help the Ionians.

You will need to use inverted commas in your conversation.

- What do you think King Darius will say to his men?
- How will they respond?
- What could his plan be to take over Greece?

This task has been set as a 2do on Purple Mash.

Step for Depth:

If Sparta and Athens hadn't joined together to fight the Persians, what may have happened?

Plenary:

Who was King Darius and what did he want?