**Sparta vs. Athens PowerPoint Notes**

**Directions:** Using the chart below, fill in the information as you view the slides on Sparta and Athens.

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| **Topic** | **Athens** | **Sparta** |
| **Geography** | * **Largest city-state**
* **150,000 Athenians**
 | * **Small city; 8,000 adult males**
* **Over 100,000 slaves and semi-enslaved people**
* **Surrounded by mountains, which makes it difficult for it to be invaded**
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| **Government** | * **Direct democracy**
* **Elected officials including 10 generals**
* **Council of 500: administer decision made by Assembly**
* **Assembly: all male citizens; passed laws**
* **Trial by jury**
 | * **Oligarchy: rule by few**
* **Two kings: led army**
* **5 Overseers: ran day-to-day operations of Sparta; had veto power**
* **Senate: 28 men; elected for life; acted as judges; proposed legislation**
* **Assembly: all Spartan males**
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| **Social Structure** | * **Upper: Aristocrats;Land ownersNaval captains and military leaders**
* **Middle: small farmers**
* **Lower: craftsman & foreigners**
* **Slaves: treated less harshly than other Greek city-states**
 | * **Upper: Land owning military professionals**
* **Middle: craftsman, artisans**
* **Lower: serfs (farmers) who worked on the Spartan’s land**
* **Gave 1/2 of all their produce to Spartans/ military**
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| **Lifestyle/Values** | * **Democratic values: Participation in government a civic responsibility**
* **Many religious holidays**
* **Theatre / sporting events**
* **Trading empire; contact with many other cultures**
 | * **Militaristic values**
* **Citizens were not permitted to own luxuries**
* **Children were taught to respect elderly, women, and warriors**
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| **Education** | * **Schools taught reading, writing & mathematics, music, poetry, sports and gymnastics**
* **Boys ages 5-14 (wealthy went until 18)**
* **Could choose their profession**
* **Girls were taught homemaking skills at home**
 | * **Boys: at age 7 they were taken from their parents and taught the art of war**
* **Had to steal to survive**
* **At age 20 they entered the military**
* **At age 20 they were able to marry**
* **Girls: at age 7 they were reading and writing, gymnastics, athletics and survival skill**
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| **Role of Women** | * **Women were kept at home**
* **Could not participate in athletics**
* **Some women held high posts at religious ceremonies**
 | * **Girls were educated**
* **Could participate in sports**
* **Married at 18**
* **Enjoyed a great deal of freedom**
* **Could own and control their property**
* **Expected to protect land while husband was at war**
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| **Achievements**  | * **Art**
	+ **Sculptures**
	+ **Pottery**
* **Architecture**
* **Drama/Literature**
* **Philosophy**
* **Science**
* **Medicine**
* **Mathematics**
 | * **Military supremacy**
* **Simple lifestyle**
* **No fancy art/literature achievements**
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| **Food**  | * **Enjoyed food from all over the empire**
* **Trade brought goods from all over the Mediterranean region**
 | * **Spartan Broth: pork, blood, salt, vinegar**
* **Trained to dislike luxuries and fancy food**
* **Men lived separate from wives for much of the time**
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