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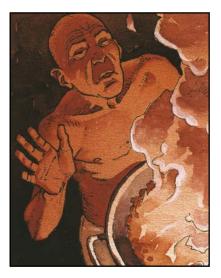
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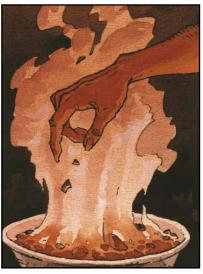
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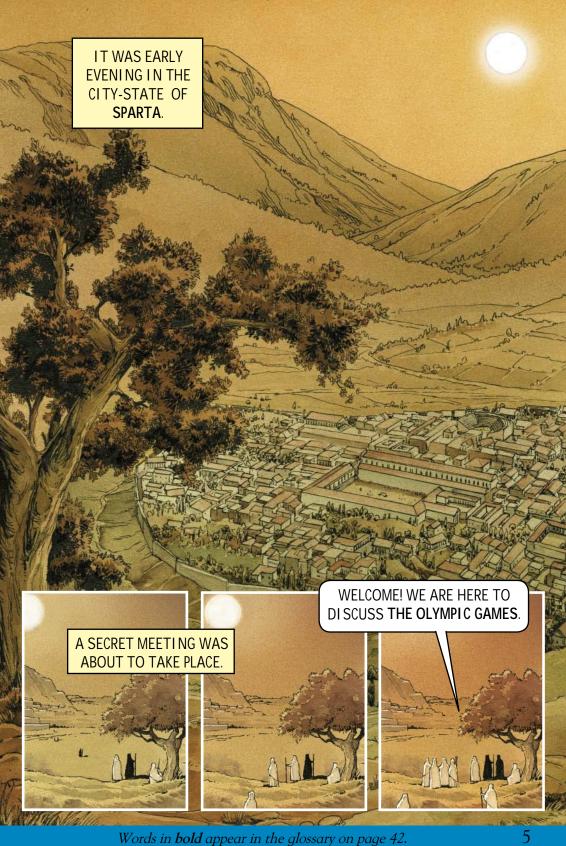
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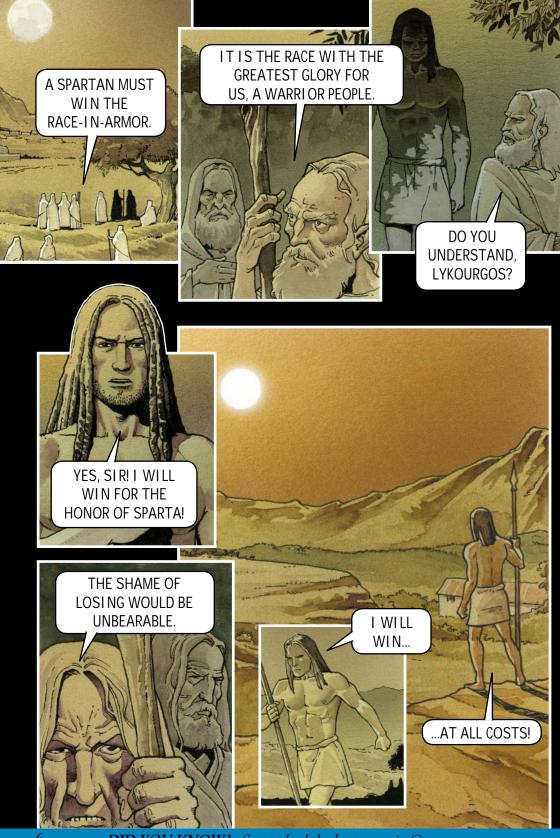
Pylades's story takes place about 2,500 years ago in Ancient Greece. It is the year 416 BCE, and as the athletes prepare for the Olympic Games, the Greek city-states of Sparta and Athens renew their rivalry.

Turn to page 42 to see a map and timeline, and then let the story begin....

"MY NAME IS PYLADES and I
am 11 years old. I live with my
parents and brother and sister
in Athens. My older brother
Kinesias is an athlete. He has
been training really hard so
that he can bring glory

to our home city of
Athens at the Olympic
Games. But we are
worried because the gods
have sent signs warning
Kinesias not to compete
in the Games. We do not
want to offend the gods
but Kinesias is the best
runner in all Greece. I must
find a way to let him race!"







In Sparta, boys left home at age seven to train as soldiers.























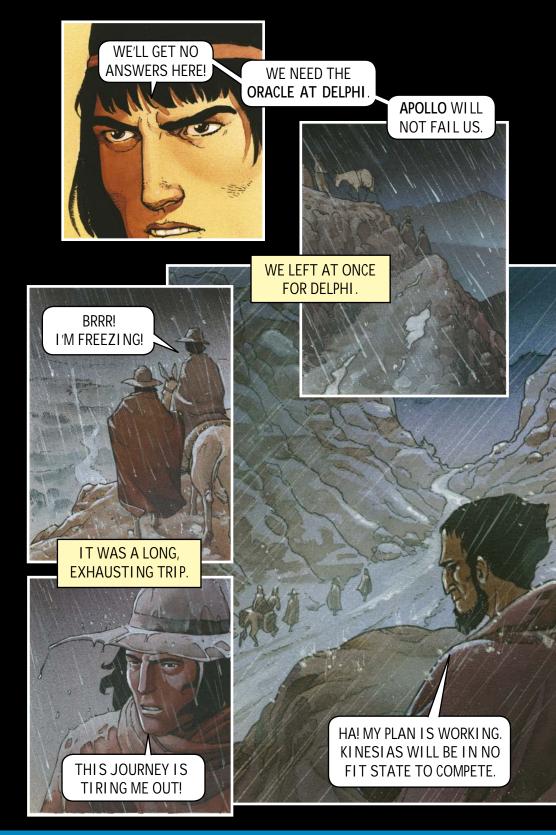


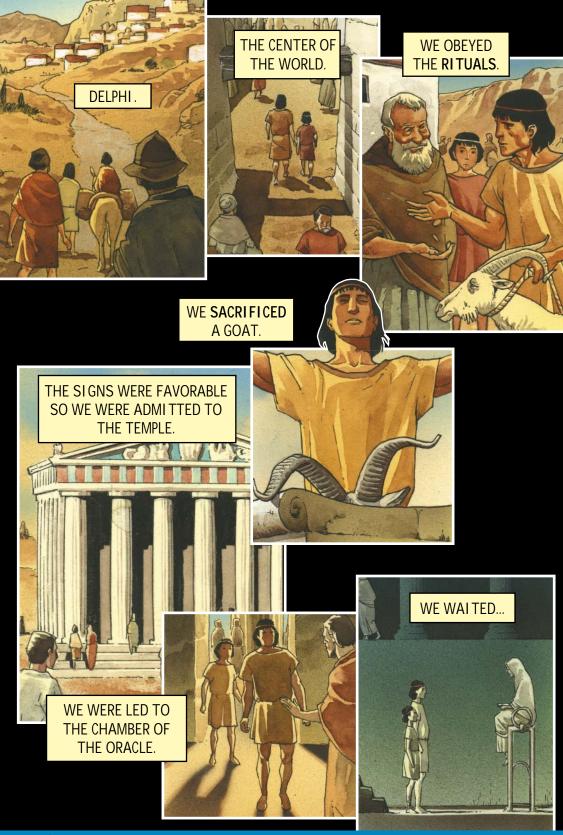






















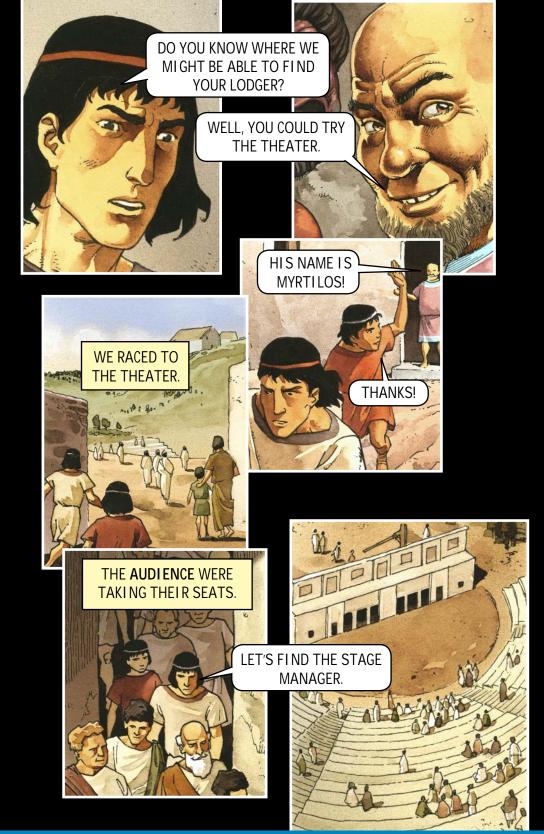


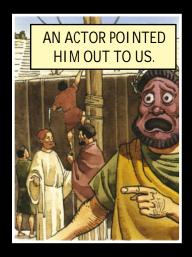


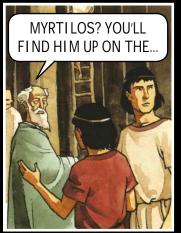




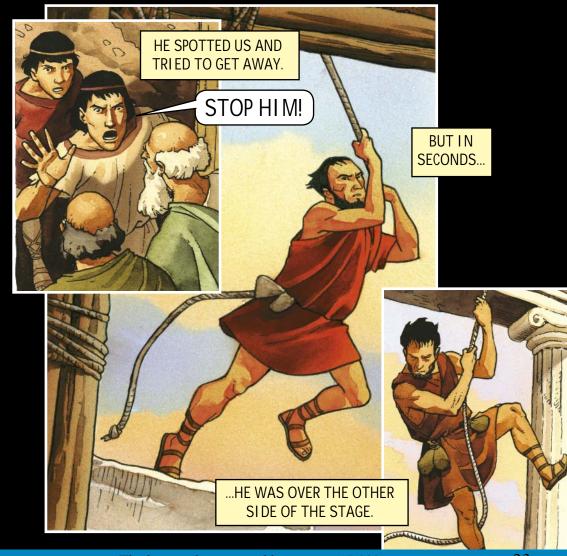






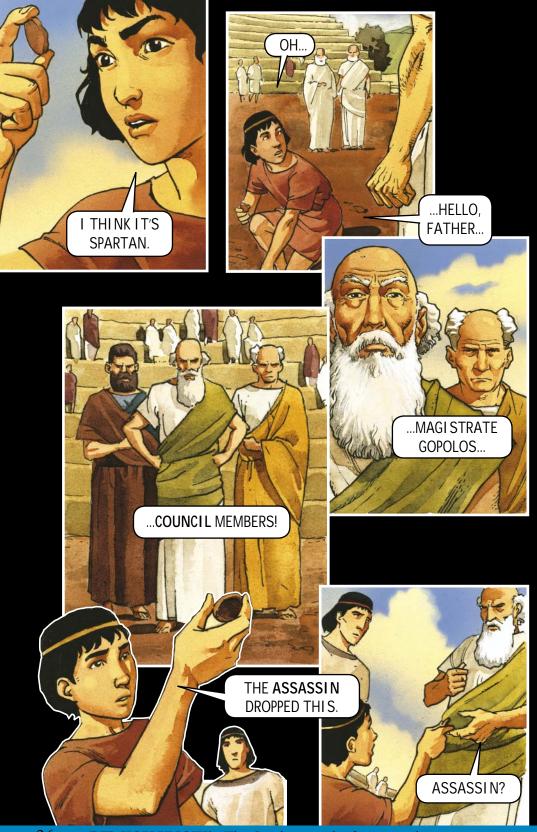


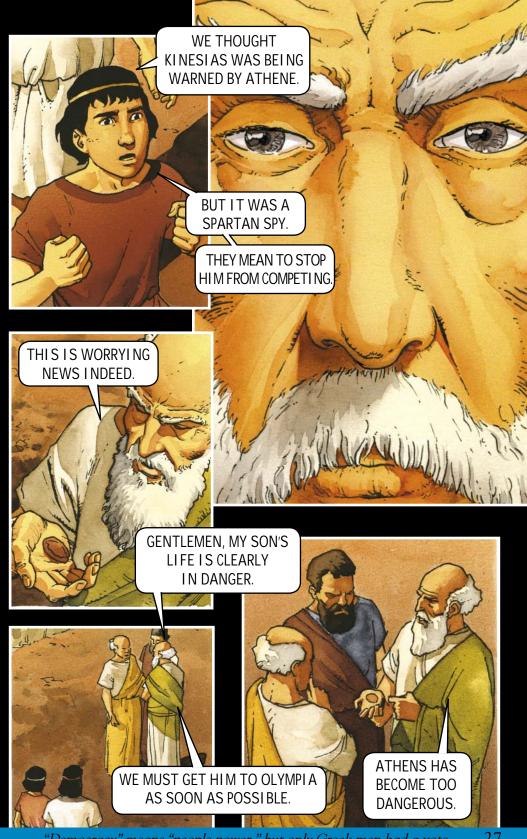












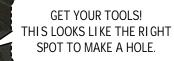






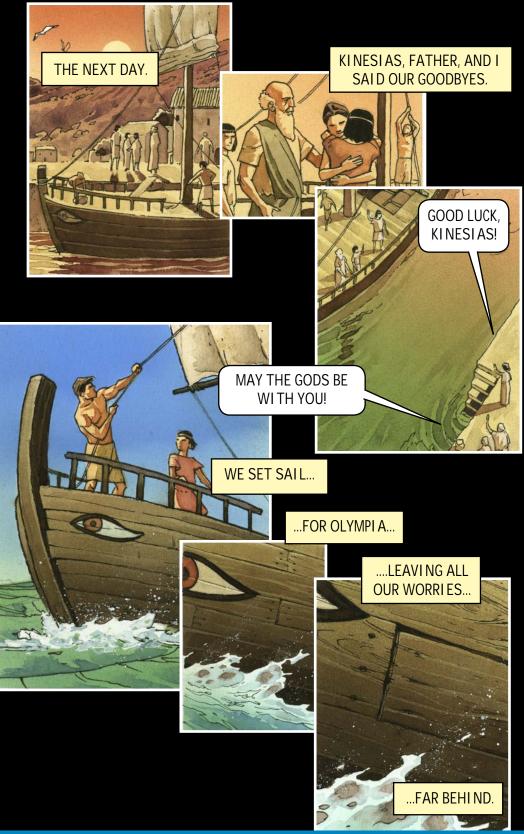
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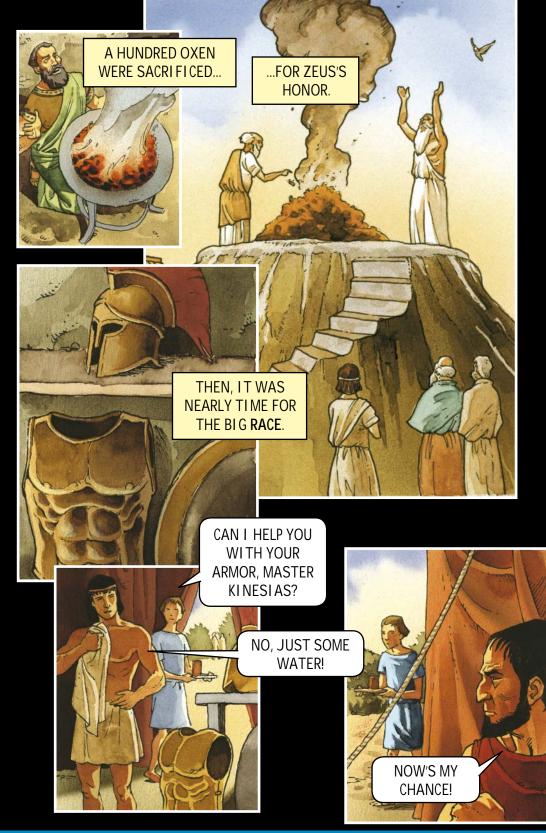










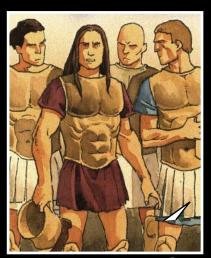






















3000 BCE (BEFORE COMMON ERA)

2000 BCE

1000 BCE



MACEDONIA

Mount Olympos•

GREECE

The second

• Delphi Olympia • Athens MINOR (modern-do Turkey)

Sparta

CRETE

ANCIENT GREECE

Ancient Greece was one of the richest civilizations the world has ever seen. It flourished around 2,500 years ago in southeastern Europe. Greece was made up of several powerful city-states, including Athens and Sparta, that fought each other for control. This beautiful land had a coast on the Mediterranean Sea and included many islands. The sea linked Greece to the known world, spreading its influence across Europe.

GLOSSARY

SPARTA

PAGE 5

The city of Sparta was in the south of Greece. The male Spartans were full-time professional soldiers who were highly trained. Their army was feared across the land.



Soldier /

Spartan woman Spartan slave and child



THE OLYMPIC GAMES PAGE 5

Athletic games were held all over Greece but the most famous were those held every four years at Olympia—the Olympic Games. There were horse-and-chariot races, as well as many events similar to those at a modern track-and-field competition.







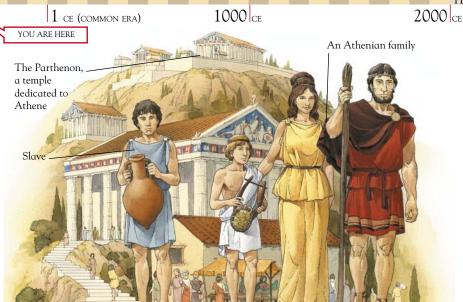






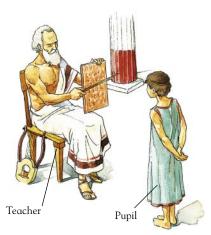
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TIMELINE



PAGE 7 **ATHENS**

Athens was the wealthiest and most powerful of the city-states. It was a center of arts and learning.

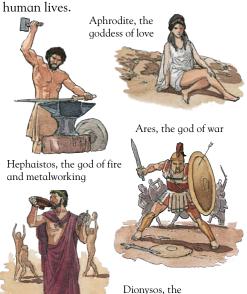


PAGE 8 SCHOOL

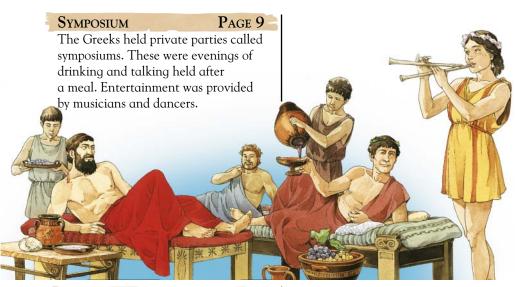
Only young male citizens went to school in Athens. They studied reading, writing, music, and physical education

Gods

The Greeks believed in many gods and goddesses, who were immortal (they lived forever). The gods were very powerful and interfered in



god of parties



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Athene was the goddess of war, wisdom, and household crafts.

She was said to have founded the city of Athens. Her symbol was the owl, which was also the symbol of the city. The Parthenon temple in Athens was dedicated to her.

SLAVE PAGE 11

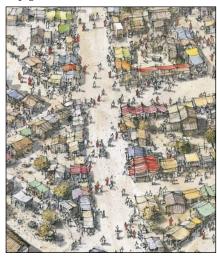
ATHENE

A slave was someone owned by a Greek citizen. Slaves were usually foreigners captured in war. They did all the hard work for no money.



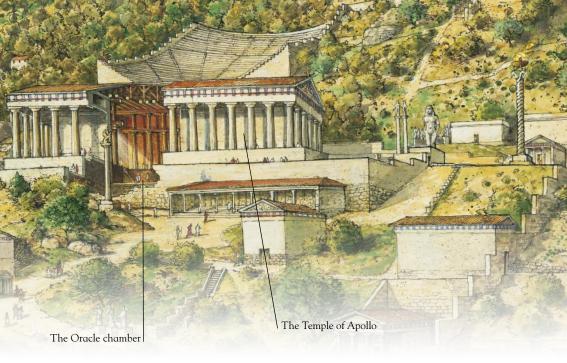
AGORA PAGE 13

Every Greek city had a bustling market square known as the agora. It was full of stalls selling everything from books to pigs and blankets.



SIGN/OMEN PAGES 12 AND 13

The Greeks believed that the gods spoke to them through signs, which could be anything! An omen could be a sign of good or bad luck.



ORACLE AT DELPHI PAGE 17

Oracles were places where people could speak to the gods. Delphi, a town on the slopes of Mount Parnassos, was home to the most famous oracle in Ancient Greece. There, a priestess called a Pythia spoke to the gods. She passed the gods' messages on to the people who came to ask for advice.

Apollo

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RITUALS

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Rituals are things that have to be done, such as saying particular words, to honor a god.

SACRIFICED

PAGE 18

Animals were sacrificed, or killed, to please the gods. The Ancient Greeks sacrificed valuable animals such as goats or oxen to honor the gods.



PRIESTESS

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A priestess was a woman who performed ceremonies in honor of the gods.

COMMUNED

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The priestess communed with Apollo, which means she communicated with the god to find out his message.

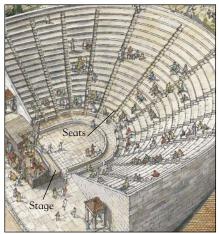


Zeus Page 20

The Olympic Games took place in honor of Zeus, who was the king of the Gods. Zeus threw thunderbolts at anyone who broke his laws.

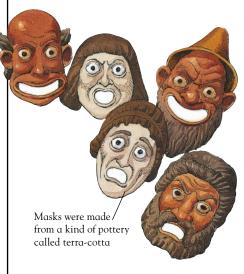
THEATER PAGE 21

The Ancient Greeks were the first people to put on plays in special buildings called theaters. All their theaters were built outside with the seats cut in a semicircle into the hillside and the stage below.



Masks Page 21

Masks were worn by actors on the stage. Wearing a mask meant that an actor could play more than one part. The exaggerated expressions of the masks made it clear what emotion the actor was trying to put across.



LODGER

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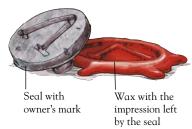
A lodger is someone who pays to stay in someone else's house.

AUDIENCE PAGE 22

The audience is the people who go to watch a play. In the Greek theater, they sat on stone seats.

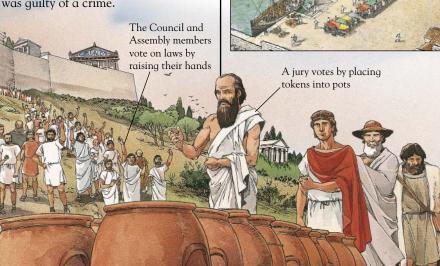
SEAL PAGE 25

Citizens of Greece often carried a seal. This was a metal stamp that was pressed onto a lump of warm wax, lead, or clay. The wax was stuck to a letter to show who it was from.



Council Page 26

The Council of Athens was made up of 500 men. They proposed new laws that were discussed at the citizens' Assembly, a meeting of all the male citizens. A group of citizens known as a jury voted on whether or not a man was guilty of a crime.

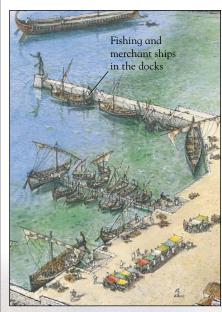


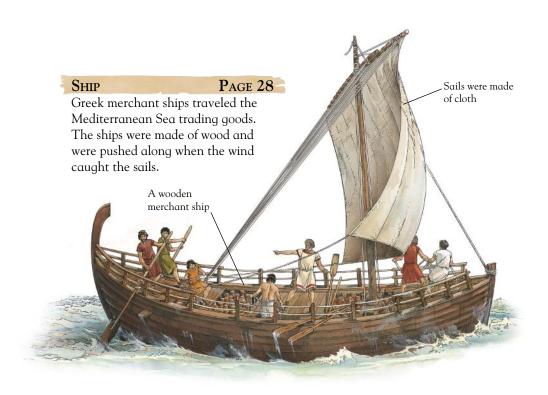
Assassin Page 26

An assassin is a person hired to kill someone else for money.

Docks Page 28

The docks at Peiraieus, 5 miles (8 kilometers) from Athens, were where the Athenian ships came in and out and were loaded and unloaded. Many ships were kept there.

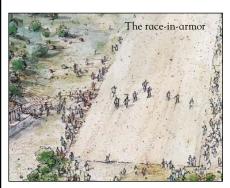




HELOTS In Sparta, the helots were the slaves. They were descendants of people conquered by the Spartans. Helots were forced to work as farmers and give half of what they produced to their Spartan masters.

OPENING CEREMONY PAGE 36

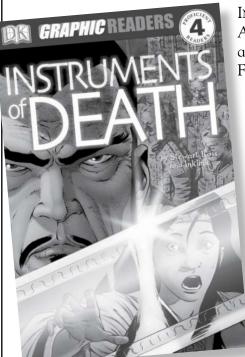
A special event to mark the start of the games. The athletes took part and performed special tasks.



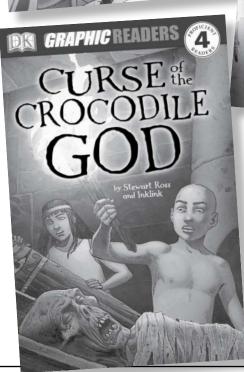
RACE PAGE 37

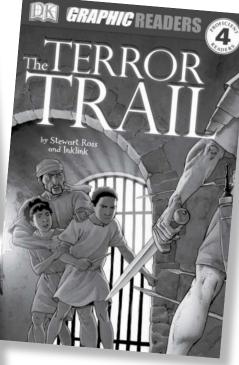
The Olympic Games included races, discus, long jump, wrestling, and javelin throwing. Kinesias's event, the race-in-armor, was the most exciting and difficult. The athletes raced in full armor, including helmets and shields.

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