

# CLAS100

## GREEK HISTORY REVIEW

### Important Dates and Events and Words

- The Monarchy 753-500 BC
  - Expulsion of Etruscan royal dynasty
- The Republic 500-30 BC
  - Citizen-rule: people's assemblies and senate
  - Dominance of senate = more elitist than the Greek Democracy
- The Empire 30 BC - 476 AD
- Rex = King
- Dual meaning of "Empire": Geopolitical meaning the holding and land of the empire, and Constitutional term meaning to be ruled by emperors
- The Rich got richer and the poor got poorer: the agricultural crisis the employment crisis and the military crisis
- The Social War 90-88 BCE
- Slave revolts like Spartacus 73-71 BCE didn't end well
- Sulla Marched on Rome in 83/82 BCE
- Triumvirate(rule of three) the first was in 60 BCE consisting of Crassus Pompey and Caesar
- 59 BCE Caesar becomes consul(highest level of elected official)
- Death of Caesar's daughter and Pompey's wife Julia 54 BC
- Crassus dies in Parthia 53 BC
- Senate urges Pompey to take command against Caesar
- Pompey loses at Pharsalus in 48 BC

- Civil war goes from 49-45 BC and Caesar takes over as dictator
- The Ides of March 15 March 44 BC (assassination of J.C.)
- 46 BC, Octavius stages games for Temple of Venus Genetrix
- The second Triumvirate consists of Octavian, Marc Antony and M. Aemilius Lepidus
- Brutus defeated and Caesar avenged in 42 BC, battle of Philippi
- Antony and Octavian have rivalry, Octavian unhappy with his relationship with Cleopatra
- 32 BC Octavian attacks Antony(or Cleopatra as he said)
- 2 Sept 31 BC the battle of Actium and the defeat of Cleopatra
- Summer of 30 BC Antony and Cleopatra commit suicide
- This was the last Hellenistic Kingdom

### **Important People and Places**

- Ancient Etruria(modern Tuscany)
  - Highpoint 600 and 500s BC
  - Traded with the Greeks and Phoenicians
  - Controlled Rome until 508 BC
  - Roman Destruction of Veii 396 BC
  - Roman take over of Etruria by 2<sup>BC</sup>
  - The Adopted the Greek Gods (Apollo and Hermes)
- Theopompus was a historian who thought the Etruscans were too self involved and lacked morality (life of luxury and excessive sexuality)
- Fasces as a political Symbol ( still used in many army posters and the US senate)
- They left Religious practices and the alphabet
- Tiberius Gracchus people rep 133 BC and on tried to get state-owned land redistributed

- Gaius Gracchus 123, 122 BC and on wanted to reduce grain prices and give citizenship to Italian allies
- Gaius Marius(157-86 BC) and L. Cornelius Sulla(138-78 BCE) were two warlords
- Rivalry Between the two over the command against Mithridates(88-87 BCE)
- Rise of Julius Caesar 100-44 BCE
- Caius Octavius Thurinus born 23 Sept 63 BC
- Octavian(just another warlord) becomes Augustus(a legit monarch)
- stabilizes Rome on all fronts
- Pensions for soldiers were largely financed by Augustus himself
- Created a very old fashioned social reform
- Marriage = good, divorce = bad, adultery punished by exile
- Augustus' own daughter Julia exiled for such actions
- Augustus died 9 Aug 14 AD
- month of August named after him