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• Ionian cities, especially Miletus, were centers of trade, bringing in not only goods but ideas, mythologies, and worldviews from far reaching cultures.

## 2. Political and Social Conditions:

• Unlike the closed priesthods of Egypt or Mesopotamia, Greek society was more open and secular, particularly in Ionia.

• The absence of a rigid priestly class meant that speculative thought was not confined or censored by religious dogma.

• Tyrannies, common in Ionian cities, paradoxically gave certain intellectuals freedom and protection under rulers who were interested in patronizing the arts and sciences.

IMPORTANT NOTES

Q) Why Tyranny Could Enable Free Thought?