**Ancient Greece**

**Geography** (page 100)

1. Please title and neatly label the following places and bodies of water on the attached map:

Crete Knossos Athens Sparta

Corinth Delphi Olympia Thermopylae Mycenae Mt. Olympus Macedonia

Troy Ionia Mediterranean Sea Ionian Sea

Aegean Sea Sea of Crete Sea of Marmora (Proconnesos)

2. Examine your completed map. Does the geography of Greece give any clues as to why, historically, it was difficult for the Greeks to unite?

3. What benefits does the geographic location of Greece provide? Explain.

4. If you were leading an army in Asia sent to invade Athens, what might your strategy be? Explain.

**The Earliest Civilization in Europe: The Minoans**

(pages 99-104)

1. Why were the Minoans able to settle on the island of Crete? From where did they originate?

2. By 1900 BCE what aspects of a civilization had the Minoans developed?

3. How did the introduction of bronze change the Minoan society? Provide 3 specific changes.

4. How did the Minoans pay for the bronze?

5. Describe the Middle Minoan period. (Consider evidence of wealth, Linear A, politics, and palaces).

6. What explanations have been suggested to account for the decline of Minoan civilization?

7. Please read the attached myth *Theseus and the Minotaur*. In a paragraph explain what can we learn about the ancient Greeks from their myths.