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Study the vocabulary words and definitions below.

- Acropolis** the hill that was the religious center of the city-state of Athens
- aristocrat** a person of noble birth; a member of a superior class
- barbarian** relating to a culture or people usually believed to be inferior to one's own, that lack refinement and learning
- city-state** a city and the surrounding lands that rules itself like an independent country
- constitution** a system of principles by which a nation or any group is governed; it guides the formation of rules and laws
- cultural fusion** the process of uniting through a common culture by spreading the features of a civilization
- democracy** a government ruled by the people or their representatives
- export** to send goods from one country to another country
- flourish** grow, prosper, achieve success

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foreign of or relating to a country other than your own; that which is not of your own country

Golden Age a period of great progress and prosperity for a culture

import to bring goods into one country from another country

isolated alone, off by itself

patriotism pride in and devotion to one's government

peninsula a piece of land jutting into a body of water; land nearly surrounded by water

prosperity economic well-being