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Spartan Warriors: Guardians of Ancient Greece

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Answers will vary. Students can discuss the differences in values, priorities, and societal roles between Spartan society, focused on military training, and other Greek city-states that may have placed more emphasis on trade, culture, or politics.
2. Students can describe the responsibilities of a Spartan warrior, including defending Sparta in times of war, maintaining physical fitness, and participating in the political life of the city-state as a citizen.
3. Students can analyze the significance of the phalanx formation in terms of its defensive capabilities and how it contributed to the success of Spartan warriors in battle, including its impact on the battlefield and tactics used.
4. Students can discuss the concept of citizenship in Sparta, its connection to military service, and how this unique system influenced the political landscape by ensuring that leaders were dedicated to the state's interests.

