

## Chapter 7: The Empires of Persia

After reading Chapter 7, you will be able to:

Identify the main characteristics of a classical empire

Identify geographical boundaries of Persia

Explain continuity of Achaemenid, Seleucid, Parthian, and Sassanid Empires

Explain causes of the Persian Wars

Explain spread of Hellenistic characteristics of Persia

On provided map, locate the following places:

Boundaries of Persian Empire

Persepolis

Royal Road

Sardis

Ephesus

Armenia

Ctesiphon

Bactria

Indus River

As you read Chapter 7, take notes on the following terms and concepts: Who, what, where, why, when, how, so what?

Iran

Cyrus, Darius

Parthians

Bactria

empire

Indus River

Persepolis

tribute

standardized coins

qanat

Alexander of Macedonia

free and unfree labor

magi

Achaemenids

Seleucids

Anatolia

Afghanistan

Macedonia

Thrace

Satrapies

Royal Road

“eyes and ears of the king”

Xerxes

Bureaucrats

Zoroastrianism