The Persians Video Worksheet

Directions: Answer the following questions while watching the movie entitled "Engineering an Empire: The Persians".

1. What resource was crucial to early survival in Persia?

2. Explain how the Persians harnessed this resource for their people?

3. How the Persian Empire of Cyrus the Great compare to other empires of the Ancient World?

4. What was Cyrus the Great's first building project?

5. How was Cyrus the Great different from previous kings and emperors of the Ancient World?

6. What was Darius the Great's first major building project?

7. What unseen engineering marvel truly made the Persian city of Persepolis a wonder to behold?

8. What did Darius the Great construct to connect the far reaches of his empire?

9. How far apart were the rest stations and inns along the Persian road?

10. What two bodies of war were connected by Darius' canal?

11. How did Darius the Great get across the Bosporus Straits in order to reach Athens, Greece?

12. Who succeeded Darius as the emperor of Persia?

13. How were Darius' and Xerxes' invasions of Greece similar?

14. What did Xerxes do to Athens after he conquered it?

15. How big was the Hall of 100 Columns?

16. How tall was the Mausoleum of Mausolos?

17. What was the final fate of Persepolis?