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NATURAL RESOURCES & CIVILIZATIONS

WEEK ONE QUESTION =

What are Natural Resources and Civilizations?

WORKING DEFINITIONS

- **Natural Resources** - any biological, mineral, or aesthetic asset afforded by nature without human intervention that can be used for some form of benefit, whether material (economic) or immaterial.
- **Civilization** – An advanced stage in a society's development of arts and sciences and accompanied by corresponding social, political and cultural complexity.

COLONIALISM VS. CONSERVATION

- Prevention of wasteful use of a resource
- **Why?: God, Gold, and Glory**
 - Rome: primary goal of colonization was not to supply the poor with land, but to serve the military needs of the Roman state.



SICILY 1000 B.C.E.



CLASSICAL (*500 TO 336 BCE*) SICILY

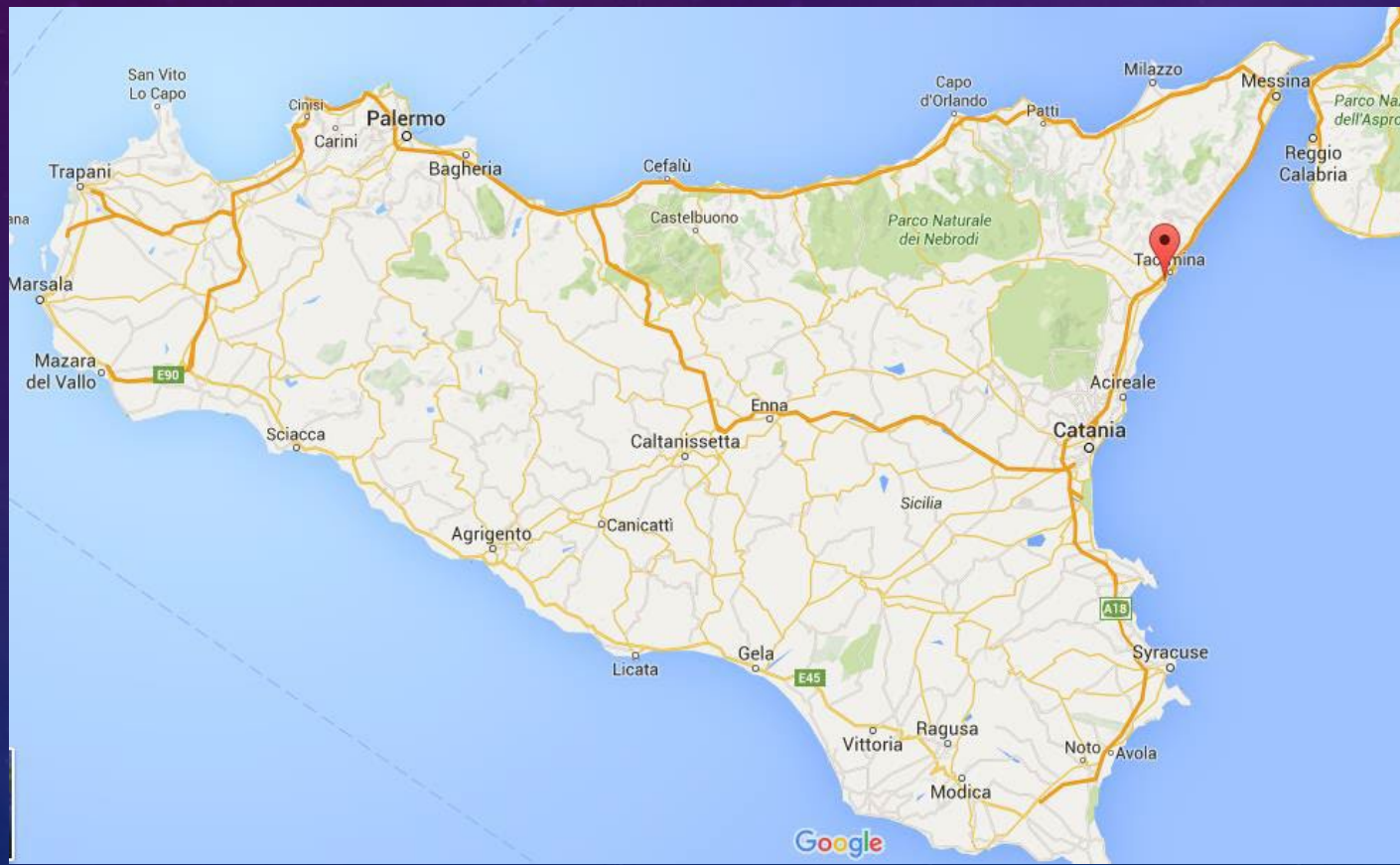
Massive socio-political change



THE GREEKS

Naxos

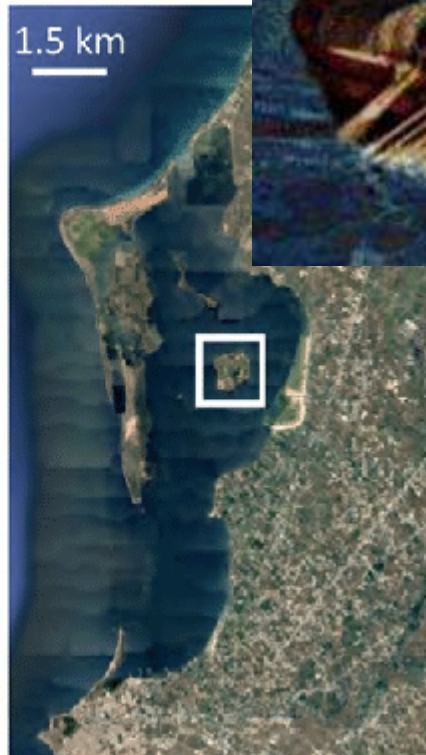
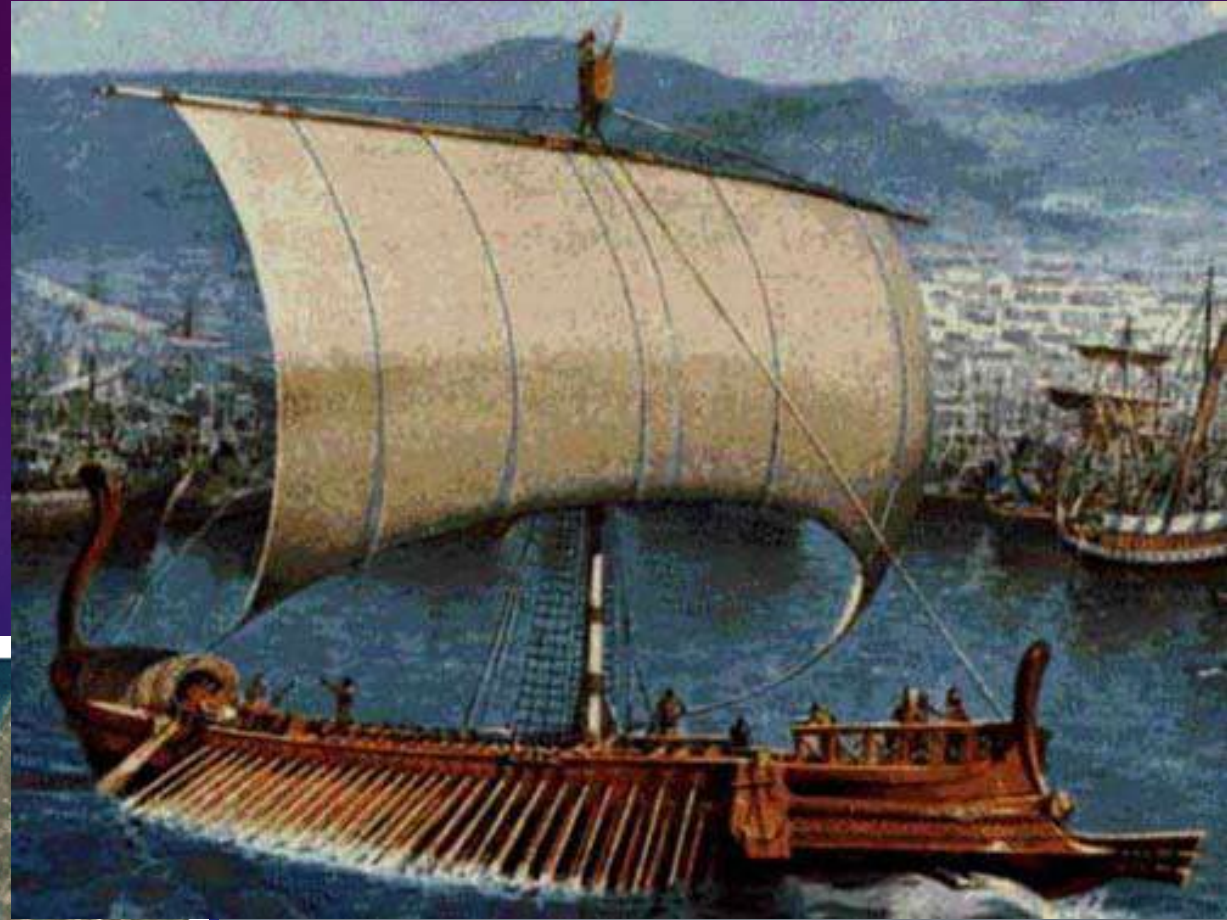
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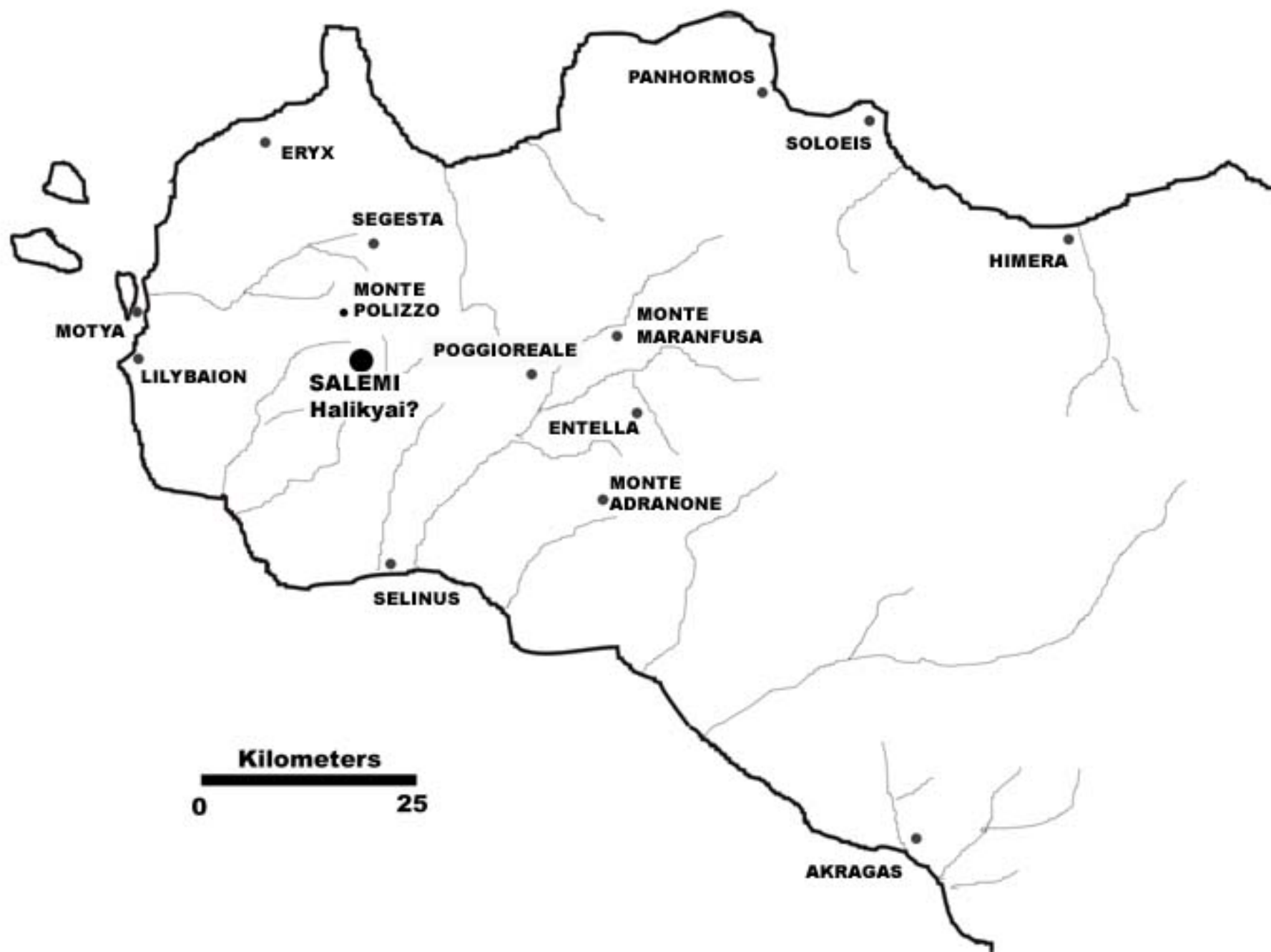


THE PHOENICIANS

Motya

- 720 BC











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Survival



SURVIVAL EXERCISE

- 7 groups of 3 to 5
- Select one person to record the groups answers
- Work together to address the following questions.

SELECT AND RANK ITEMS THAT –

A. Will help you survive
Greek and Phoenician
colonialism...

- min. 6 , max 10
- 1 most important to 10 less important

B. Will help you maintain your
cultural identity...

- min. 6 , max 10
- 1 most important to 10 less important

C. What questions OR concerns does your group have
after ranking these items?

INITIAL QUESTIONS

1. How were decisions made/What reasoning did your group use to prioritize your lists?
2. What role did natural resource availability play in your group's decisions?
3. If the Greeks and/or Phoenicians begin to attack your inland communities, who will your group protect the most and the least. (i.e. who within your community should you try to save?)

QUESTIONS CONT.

4. At what point will risk your freedom and submit to possible slavery by siding with either the Greeks or Phoenicians?

5. Is maintaining your cultural identity important? Why?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Would your survival list be different for 2022?
2. Has our relationship toward natural resources changed between 800BC and 2022?
3. What time would it be easier to be 'healthy' 800 BC or 2022?

4. What time would it be easier to be 'happy' 800 BC or 2022?

5. What are the most important components that enable people to move from survival to a civilization?