

Unit 2 - Classwork 5: Hesiod and Perses

In order to help you answer these questions, see pages 48—50 in Unit 2.

1. Consider the saying “might makes right”.
 - (i) What does it mean? If you don’t know what it means, you can google it, but cite the source in your answer.

 - (ii) According to Hesiod, does might make right? Why or why not? Explain.

2. According to Hesiod, the farming seasons are synchronized with the movements of stars.
 - (i) According to Hesiod, when is it time to plough the fields?

 - (ii) According to Hesiod, when is it time to harvest the crops?

 - (iii) According to Hesiod, how many days after ploughing season is harvest season?

3. According to Hesiod, is ploughing season a good time to sail the seas? Why or why not? Explain.

4. According to Hesiod, the farming seasons are determined by the annual rising and setting of the Pleiades star constellation. Circle the Pleiades stars on the diagram below.

>: Hint: Look for the constellation Orion. To find Orion, look for the three stars on Orion's belt. Once you've found the hunter Orion, look for the two horns of the Taurus constellation. Once you have found the two horns of the bull Taurus, look at where they come together. From that point, glance northwards a little bit, and you'll find a cluster of stars, which are the Pleiades stars. :<

