

Chapter 4 - Assignment 1: The Sages and the Temple to Apollo in Delphi

To answer the following questions, read pages 2–7 in Chapter 4.

1. What is a sage? (In other words, what is someone who is σοφός?)

2. Even though they disagreed about who the Seven Sages of Greece were, Ancient Greeks agreed about who four of the Seven Sages were. Who were those four sages?

(Note: You only need to list their name. You don't need to list where they were from.)

(i) _____

(ii) _____

(iii) _____

(iv) _____

3. According to most Ancient Greeks, the Delphic Maxims were authored by the Seven Sages, and *three* of those maxims were the entrance maxims. Which of the Delphic Maxims were the three *entrance* maxims?

(i) _____

(ii) _____

(iii) _____

4. Besides the entrance maxims, there were other Delphic Maxims.

(i) Which Delphic Maxim was authored by Bias of Priene?

(ii) Which Delphic Maxim was authored by Periander of Corinth?

5. On the temple walls of the Temple to Apollo in Delphi, the three entrance maxims were accompanied by a large letter epsilon.

(i) According to some Ancient Greeks, what did the Delphic Epsilon symbolize?

(ii) For the Ancient Greeks who believed that there were only Five Sages of Greece, who were those five sages?

(A) _____

(B) _____

(C) _____

(D) _____

(E) _____