### **Periclean Athens: A City of Wonders**

Periclean Athens was a city of great wealth and power, and its citizens enjoyed a high standard of living. The city was home to some of the world's greatest thinkers, artists, and architects, and its legacy continues to inspire people today.



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#### The Golden Age of Athens

The period from 460 to 430 BC is known as the Golden Age of Athens. During this time, the city reached the height of its power and prosperity. The Athenian Empire stretched from the Aegean Sea to the Black Sea, and Athens was the cultural and intellectual center of the Greek world.

One of the most famous achievements of the Golden Age of Athens was the construction of the Parthenon. This magnificent temple was built to honor the goddess Athena, and it is one of the most iconic buildings in the world.

#### The Peloponnesian War

In 431 BC, the Peloponnesian War broke out between Athens and Sparta. This war lasted for 27 years, and it ended with the defeat of Athens. The war had a devastating impact on Athens, and it led to the decline of the city.

#### The Legacy of Periclean Athens

Despite its defeat in the Peloponnesian War, the legacy of Periclean Athens continues to inspire people today. The city's achievements in art, architecture, and philosophy have had a profound impact on Western civilization.

The Parthenon is still one of the most popular tourist destinations in the world, and it is a reminder of the glory of ancient Athens. The city's philosophers, such as Socrates, Plato, and Aristotle, have had a lasting impact on Western thought.

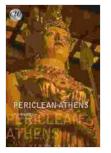
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#### **Additional Information**

If you are interested in learning more about Periclean Athens, I recommend the following resources:

- The History of the Peloponnesian War by Thucydides
- The Life of Pericles by Plutarch

- The Parthenon by Vincent Scully
- The Greeks by H.W. Janson



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