

Sparta Seminar 3

Post at least one question or discussion point up on Moodle prior to the seminar. You will be required to lead a discussion on your chosen topic in class.

Please prepare a series of discussion questions and answers about the material which you are prepared to discuss with the other members of the seminar. Please base your questions around the themes below.

You will be required to present your discussion on these questions to the class.

1. What are the important differences and similarities between the two ancient accounts of Agesilaus' life?
2. How does Xenophon's personal relationship with Agesilaus affect his narrative?
3. How does Xenophon present Agesilaus' relationship with the Greek cities of Asia Minor, is this justified?

Basic Reading:

Xenophon's *Agesilaus*

Plutarch's *Life of Agesilaus*

Cawkwell, G.L. "Agesilaus and Sparta" *The Classical Quarterly, New Series*, Vol. 26, No. 1 (1976) (pp. 62-84)

Seager, R. and Tuplin, C. "The Freedom of the Greeks of Asia: on the Origins of a Concept and the Creation of a Slogan" *The Journal of Hellenic Studies*, Vol. 100, Centenary Issue (1980) (pp. 141-154).

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