

Pericles

Hello, my name is Pericles (Pair-uh-kleez). I am a great general and leader of Athens. After the war with Persia, I had three major goals for the destroyed city. My military goal was to protect Athens. My political goal was to strengthen democracy by spreading the power evenly among the poor as well as the rich. My artistic goal was to make Athens beautiful. I chose the best architects to create famous structures such as the Parthenon, which still stands today.

Performance Instructions: Dress as a Greek general and carry a picture of the Parthenon building. After speaking, hold up the picture and say, "This Parthenon will stand for all time!"

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