

CHAPTER IV

EURASIAN EMPIRES

500 B.C.E.–500 C.E.

CHAPTER LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- *To consider the nature of imperial systems in the classical era*
- *To explore why empires developed in some regions but not in others*
- *To show the similarities and differences between imperial systems and the reasons behind them*
- *To reflect on the significance that classical empires have for us today*

KEY TERMS/PERSONS/DATES/EVENTS

Ahura Mazda: Alexander the Great: Alexander III of Macedon (356–323 B.C.E.),
Aryans: Ashoka:
Athenian democracy: Caesar Augustus:
Cyrus (the Great): Darius I:
Greco-Persian Wars:
Gupta Empire:
Han dynasty:
Hellenistic era:
Herodotus:
Hoplite:
Ionia:
Mandate of Heaven:
Marathon, Battle of:
Mauryan Empire:
Olympic Games:
Patricians:
Pax Romana:
Peloponnesian War:
Persepolis:
Persian Empire:
Plebeians:
Punic Wars:
Qin dynasty:
Qin Shihuangdi:
Solon:
Wudi:
Xiongnu:
Yellow Turban Rebellion: