**Plataea and Mycale**

Read the web page below and answer the questions that follow:

[The Battles of Plataea and Mycale explained - History Skills](https://www.historyskills.com/classroom/ancient-history/anc-plataea-and-mycale-reading/)

1. Who did Xerxes leave in charge of his army in Greece when he returned to Persia?
2. How did Xerxes attempt to break the alliance between the Greeks?
3. According to Herodotus, how many men fought on each side?
4. What kinds of troops did the Greeks not have many of?
5. What were the two approaches to warfare that both sides drew upon?
6. What Greek city fought on the side of the Persians?
7. Upon what lands did the Greek troops need to be in order for the Persian cavalry to be most effective?
8. How long was the Greek front line before the battle?
9. How many days did the forces wait before the fighting started?
10. How did the fighting begin?
11. After the Greeks captured the river on Pyrgos ridge, how long did the two armies wait before further combat?
12. What did Mardonius do with his cavalry?
13. Why was the left flank of the Greek line suddenly isolated?
14. Why were the Persians “boxed in”?
15. How was Mardonius killed?
16. What was established after the battle?
17. Who led the Greek fleet in the naval battle of Mycale?
18. What did the army manage to achieve at the battle of Mycale?
19. What did the Ionian states do after the victory at Mycale?

**Paragraph Writing**

Based upon what you have learnt in your readings, answer the question below in paragraph format (Topic Sentence, Explanation, Evidence, Concluding Sentence):

*Why are the battles at Plataea and Mycale* [*significant*](http://www.historyskills.com/historical-knowledge/significance/) *events in the Persian Wars?*