4-4 Notes

* The Delian league promised to defend its members against the Persians. It served as the treasury and commander of the fleet.
* Athens had a direct democracy.
* Direct democracy –all the people gather at mass meetings to decide on gov’t matters.
* The U.S. is a representative democracy.
* Representative democracy – citizens choose a smaller group to make the laws and governmental decisions on their behalf.
* Athens’s assembly passed all laws, elected officials and made decisions on war and foreign affairs.
* Pericles made Athens more democratic.
* The Age of Pericles was a period of tremendous creativity and learning. He hired hundreds of workers to construct the most well-known public building, the Parthenon. It took 20,000 tons of marble and 15 years to complete it.
* Pericles is responsible for the construction of the Parthenon.
* Philosophers – thinkers who ponder questions about life
* Athens’s economy was supported by farming and trade.
* Men worked in the morning and attended meetings of the assembly.
* Women – life revolved around home and family; could only leave the house only if a male relative went with them.
* Sparta and other city-states joined forces against Athens to fight against and defeat Athens in the Peloponnesian War.