

**Topic: Mycenaean Greece a society that offered individuals very little room to be individuals.**

**Time period: 1400-1200, possibly as late as 1150**

**Locations of major city-states in Mycenaean Greece:**

- 1. Knossos on the island of Crete (Minoan culture)**
- 2. Mycenaean Greece includes city-states on the mainland where small communities lived within a walled city and were governed by their king, the name at this time would be the “basileus”**
- 3. Examples of city-states from which we have archaeological evidence: Argos, Corinth, Thebes.**
- 4. Societal organization: King would be served by deputy kings who would apportion the residents with their annual allotment of wool, bread, produce, furniture, and wood.**
- 5. Hierarchy is rigid - rules govern how much people can earn, how they live**

**Disruption of Mycenaean Society around 1200 BCE**

**Possible causes: invasion, war, earthquakes, disease, societal breakdown, famine**