ALEXANDER THE GREAT SOLDIER’S POSTCARD ASSIGNMENT

**DIRECTIONS**:

1. Read p. 128-131 in World History textbook about Alexander the Great’s conquests and his empire. Specifically, look for details on life as a soldier under Alexander the Great. Think about what it would have been like to live through the experience of fighting for Alexander the Great on his speedy conquest of Greece and Persia.

2. Write a postcard describing your experience as a soldier fighting for Alexander the Great **against Greece with his father, Philip II, the Persian Empire (in Anatolia, Egypt or Mesopotamia) OR against the Indians in the Indus Valley.** You can write the postcard to your parents, brother, sister, wife, girlfriend or friend.

3. Draw a picture on the front of your postcard of yourself, your buddies, Alexander the Great, where you are fighting, etc. Look at the painting and map on p. 130 for ideas and include a map on your postcard.

**POSTCARD FORMAT:**

Date

Dear \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_,

**Paragraph 1**-

Include information about **where** you were fighting and **who** you were fighting against. Describe the fighting conditions, including geography and climate, weapons or strategies being used and their effects, etc. Reveal the outcome of battles you have fought in.

**Paragraph 2** –

Describe your feelings about being a soldier fighting for Alexander the Great. (How do you feel about Alexander the Great? Why? How do you feel about the enemy? Why? Are you proud to be fighting? Are you scared? Do you think it is a worthy cause to be fighting for? Why or why not?)

Sincerely,

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