

CHAPTER  
**3**

GUIDED READING *Seafaring Traders*

Section 3

**A. Drawing Conclusions** As you read about the Minoan and Phoenician civilizations, write notes to explain what each statement listed below suggests about these seafaring traders.

1. Minoan cities had no fortifications.	→	
2. Archaeologists excavating the Minoan capital city found the remains of wall paintings, seals, and fine painted pottery.	→	
3. Many works of Minoan art depict women as major goddesses and priestesses.	→	
4. Minoans sacrificed bulls to their gods and enjoyed the sport of bull-leaping.	→	
5. The Phoenicians were the first Mediterranean people to sail beyond the Straits of Gibraltar, possibly even around Africa by way of the Red Sea.	→	
6. The Phoenicians worked in wood, metal, glass, and ivory and produced red-purple dye from snails in the waters off the city-states of Sidon and Tyre.	→	
7. There are some similarities among Phoenician, Greek, and modern-day alphabets.	→	

**B. Writing Expository Paragraphs** On the back of this paper, explain the importance of the **Aegean Sea**, **King Minos**, and **Knossos** to the Minoans.