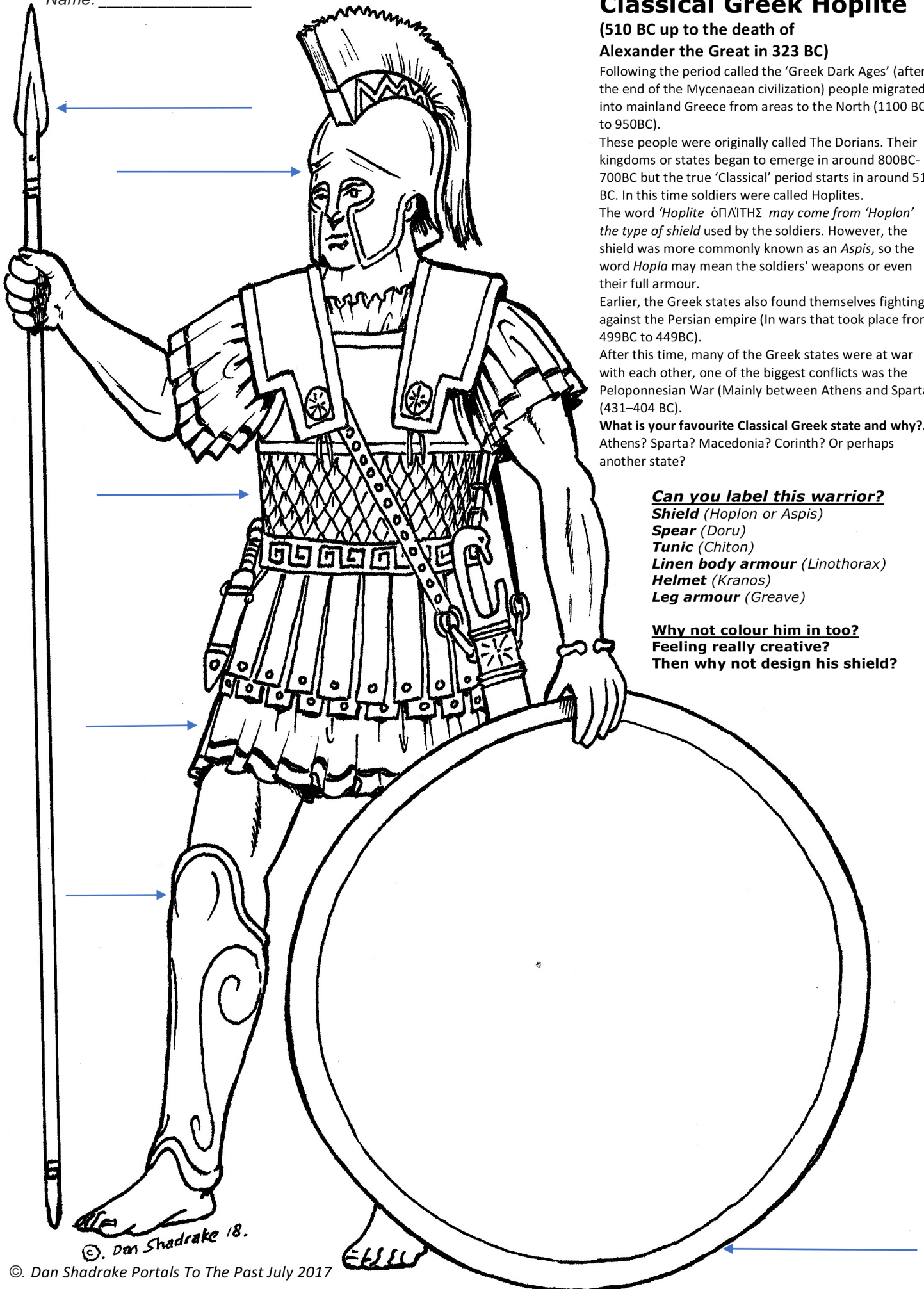


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Classical Greek Hoplite

(510 BC up to the death of Alexander the Great in 323 BC)

Following the period called the 'Greek Dark Ages' (after the end of the Mycenaean civilization) people migrated into mainland Greece from areas to the North (1100 BC to 950BC).

These people were originally called The Dorians. Their kingdoms or states began to emerge in around 800BC-700BC but the true 'Classical' period starts in around 510 BC. In this time soldiers were called Hoplites.

The word 'Hoplite' ὀπλίτης may come from 'Hoplōn' the type of shield used by the soldiers. However, the shield was more commonly known as an *Aspis*, so the word *Hoplā* may mean the soldiers' weapons or even their full armour.

Earlier, the Greek states also found themselves fighting against the Persian empire (In wars that took place from 499BC to 449BC).

After this time, many of the Greek states were at war with each other, one of the biggest conflicts was the Peloponnesian War (Mainly between Athens and Sparta) (431-404 BC).

What is your favourite Classical Greek state and why?... Athens? Sparta? Macedonia? Corinth? Or perhaps another state?

Can you label this warrior?

Shield (*Hoplōn* or *Aspis*)

Spear (*Doru*)

Tunic (*Chiton*)

Linen body armour (*Linothorax*)

Helmet (*Kranos*)

Leg armour (*Greave*)

Why not colour him in too?

Feeling really creative?

Then why not design his shield?