

Humanities I

Unit 3. Athenian Education

Discussion and study notes:

- 1. What were the main objectives in Athenian education?
to think logically responsibility body mind, responsibility, education is basis on
- 2. How did Athenian education differ from yours?
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- 3a Why did Athenians spend so much time on the subjects they did, and so
b. little on the subjects we consider important? What subject values have changed and why?
- 4 What sort of man do you think was produced by the Athenian type of education?
- 5 What sort of values do you think an Athenian would have after an education like this?
- 6a Do you think that American education should stress the aims of Athenian education rather than the development of specific technical and professional skills? Are there such things in American education as an over-emphasis of "useless" subjects and under-emphasis of training of the "intellect, passions, and the body?"
b
- 7 Should education reflect the values of the society and simply prepare students to adapt to the existing society? Or should it encourage values that will help students to change and better the existing society?