

laconic - MSS 1

meaning: using few words
The man had a reputation of being *laconic*; he used his words sparingly.

Contrast the cultures in Sparta and Athens. Place the following words under the two cultures according to their characteristics. You may need to replay the video.

restrained	orators	loquacious
democracy	Socrates	succinct
oligarchy	laconic	terse
disorder	sparse	verbose
lavish	garrulous	

Sparta	Athens

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Choose one of the two cultures, Sparta or Athens, and write a paragraph about the society. You may use the vocabulary words from the preceding page to describe the culture. In a second paragraph explain why you have chosen this culture to write about. How would you compare/contrast the USA to the culture that you have chosen?

First paragraph

Second paragraph
