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Description

The first Persian Empire was also known as the Achaemenid Empire, and it rose to power in the Middle East after the fall of the Babylonian Empire. It was the largest empire in the world during its time.

Government

In order to rule over such a large area, the king divided the empire into regions called satrapies. Each satrapie had its own ruler, the satrap, who was subordinate to the Persian King. A satrap was like a governor. It was the satrap's job to enforce the king's laws and collect taxes for the empire. The Satrap was closely watched by the King.



Religion

Zoroastrianism, the teachings of the prophet Zoroaster.

Key People

Cyrus the Great
Darius I
Xerxes

Interesting Facts

Will vary.