Greek Rationalism:

Socrates Plato Aristotle

Background: Although Socrates did not write anything down, his students and their students did record the teachings of Socrates. In this activity you are going to experience early Greek philosophical thinking and practice AP historical skills(which ones?).

Define philosophy:

How do you know what you know?(Make a claim and support with evidence)

After reading the excerpt, paraphrase what you read:

Draw the description:

Video (we will watch twice)

Initial reaction:

All of these answers will be similar to your response to SAQ. The 1st sentence is the claim which is the answer to question/prompt. Sentences 2-6 are evidence and explanation.

Would you want to be released from the cave? Why or why not?

What is like the cave in our world?

How is the way you understand the world, your ideas and beliefs, shaped by the actions of others?

Who has the power to shape your ideas and beliefs? In what ways is this good and in what ways is it not so good?

Small Group discussion

Whole Group discussion