Candidate 1 evidence

Source A (below) is by a modern writer.

Athens was called a 'democracy', but it was not perhaps very democratic in our sense of the word. Citizens were at the top of the social scale and performed a vital political and military role. Yet other groups in society also contributed to the success and prosperity of the city. The metics were important for the economy, while behind the scenes, women also played their part. And where would Athens have been without its many slaves?

5. Explain what Source A tells us about the parts played by different groups within Athenian society.

You should identify what points about the parts played by different groups are being made in the source and explain what they mean.

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