# Study Guide For Demosthenes S Third Philippic (Course Hero Study Guides)

#### : Embarking on a Rhetorical Expedition

Demosthenes, the Athenian orator, stands as a pillar of eloquence in the annals of Western civilization. His Third Philippic, delivered in 341 BCE, is a testament to his oratorical prowess and his unwavering dedication to the defense of Athens against the rising threat of Philip II of Macedon.

This comprehensive Study Guide is your indispensable companion as you delve into the intricacies of Demosthenes' Third Philippic. Designed for students of rhetoric, history, and literature, this guide provides an in-depth analysis of the speech, along with invaluable insights into its historical context and persuasive techniques.

#### **Chapter 1: Context and Background**

- Philip of Macedon's expansionist ambitions
- Athens' weakened position after the Second Sacred War
- Demosthenes' motivations and the purpose of the Third Philippic

#### **Chapter 2: Rhetorical Structure and Analysis**

- **(1-11)**
- Past injustices and Philip's true nature (12-18)
- Criticism of the Athenians' apathy (19-45)
- Call to action and the importance of collective responsibility (46-62)

**(63-73)** 

#### **Chapter 3: Persuasive Techniques and Rhetorical Devices**

- Appeal to emotion and fear
- Use of vivid imagery and metaphors
- Rhetorical questions and accusations
- Historical examples and parallels
- Repetition and parallelism for emphasis

#### **Chapter 4: The Significance of Demosthenes' Third Philippic**

- Its impact on Athenian policy and the fight against Philip
- Its enduring legacy as a masterpiece of rhetoric
- Its relevance to contemporary issues and the importance of civic engagement

#### **Chapter 5: Practice Exercises and Questions**

- Comprehension questions to test understanding
- Critical thinking exercises to deepen analysis
- Sample essays to guide your own writing
- Glossary of key terms and concepts

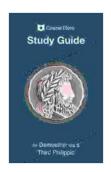
#### **Additional Resources:**

- Annotated text of Demosthenes' Third Philippic
- Timeline of events related to the Third Philippic

Recommended readings and documentaries

#### : Embracing the Legacy of Demosthenes

Studying Demosthenes' Third Philippic is not merely an academic exercise; it is an opportunity to engage with the timeless principles of persuasion and the enduring importance of civic engagement.



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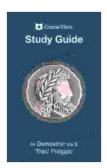


With this Study Guide as your trusted ally, you will not only master the complexities of the speech but also develop the critical thinking and analytical skills essential for success in academic and professional pursuits.

#### **Alt Attribute Text for Visuals:**

- A portrait of Demosthenes, the Athenian orator
- Map of Greece during the time of Demosthenes
- Sample page from the Study Guide with annotations and practice exercises

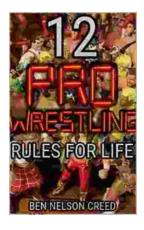
 Image of a group of students studying the Third Philippic in a classroom setting



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