PERSIA: MUSEUM EXHIBIT

Based on what you read in the textbook and learned in class today, complete the following activity:

Imagine you are a curator of a museum on the Classical Empires. Each empire is only allotted one exhibit, and you've been put in charge of deciding what should go into the Persia section. The artifact you choose must best represent the Persian Empire. After you choose your artifact, you must put together a proposal explaining why you believe that the artifact you chose best exemplifies the Persian Empire. Be prepared to defend your position in class tomorrow.

Option and description	Image
These are the modern-day remains of the Royal Road, which served to unite the Persian Empire.	
This frieze was found in the palace at Persepolis, and depicts King Darius I (seated) and Xerxes (standing behind Darius), receving a visit from a royal governor.	
This frieze was found in the palace at Persepolis , and depicts local peoples bringing gifts to the king.	
These are gold Darics and silver Siglos – currency created under Darius I.	
These are the remains of Persian qanats. This feat of Persian engineering provided fresh water to cities. Gently-sloping underground tunnels connected a water source to nearby cities.	Visit of the sector of the

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The Persian Empire was often depicted in art as a lion to show its power and ferocity. This frieze from Persepolis shows the Persian lion conquering a bull, and was meant to symbolize the Persian conquest of Egypt.	
Other? Lucky for you, you've been given a research stipend. If you do not believe that one of the above artifacts best represents the Persian Empire, you are allowed to research the empire more and find your own artifact. Include a picture of it to the write, and a short description below.	

Which of the artifacts did you select to represent Persia in your museum? Why? Write your proposal below in at least five sentences. Explain what the artifact is, why you chose it, and why it does a better job of representing Persia when compared to the other options.