

## **LEONIDA**

My hero is King Leonida, a Spartan king lived in 488 B.C. The name Leonida means “ son of the lion” and it is for sure the right name because Leonida was strong and courageous. I admire King Leonida also for his discipline. In 480 B.C. the Persian King Serse sends messengers to Sparta to ask for the submission of Sparta to Persia, but King Leonida refuses and explodes the war. The Spartan army is formed by 300 Spartans with 7000 Greeks allied, and the Persian army is 290.000 soldiers. King Leonida has a strategy: the Spartans can fight against the Persians in the Thermopylae pass, because so the Spartans will fight in a narrow battle field. The Greeks for two days repel the Persians but after Leonida is deceived and the Persians arrive behind the Spartans .Leonida with his group of soldiers dies but they are proud of dying for Sparta .