

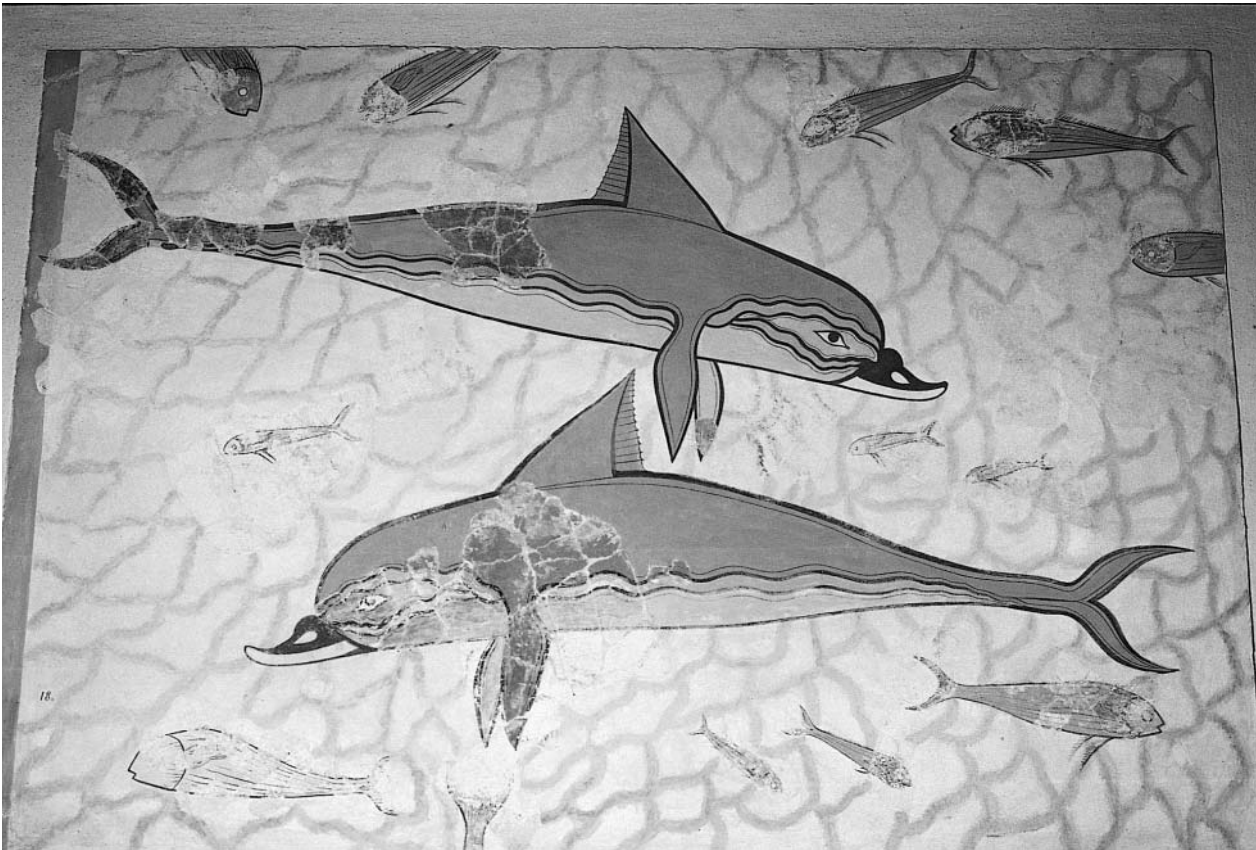
## CHAPTER

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## Section 3

PRIMARY SOURCE **Dolphin Fresco from Knossos**

*The walls of the Minoan palace of Knossos were decorated with colorful paintings. Study this detail from one of the wall paintings. Why do you think Minoan artists might have chosen to paint dolphins and other sea creatures?*



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**Research Options**

1. **Analyzing Information** The wall paintings at the palace of Knossos, including this one, are examples of frescoes. Find out more about frescoes and how they are created. Share your findings with the class.
2. **Writing Informative Compositions** Work with a small group of classmates to locate photographs of other Minoan wall paintings and other artifacts. Discuss the paintings and artifacts and draw conclusions about Minoan culture based on your observations. Then write a short report to present your group's conclusions.
3. **Using Research in Writing** Research the palace of Knossos. Then create a chart listing relevant facts such as how large it was, what it was used for, and who excavated its ruins.