

Mesopotamia/Ancient Egypt Test Study Guide

Vocabulary-Define each of the following words:

1. City-State: Central city and the surrounding area of land controlled by one ruler.
2. Cuneiform: The world's first written language that was created by Sumerians. A stylus was used to carve symbols into large clay tablets.
3. Ziggurat: The temple where gods/goddess' were worshipped in Mesopotamia.
4. Hieroglyphics: The written language of the Egyptians. It was first written on papyrus and uses a symbol like alphabet.
5. Fertile Crescent: The area of land between the Tigris and Euphrates rivers, good for farming. This is where the world's first civilizations were established.

Matching: Use the word bank to match the achievement to the civilization.

-Hammurabi's Code -Wheel -Irrigation -Clock -Used Chariots
 -Bronze Weapons/Armor -12 Month Calendar

Civilization	The Civilization is Known For...
Akkad	-Used Chariots
Sumer	-Wheel -Irrigation(Canals) -Clock -Used Chariots -Bronze Weapons/Armor -12 Month Calendar
Assyria	-Made Weapons
Babylon	-Hammurabi's Code -Tower of Babel -Hanging Gardens

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Part II: Short Answer: Read each question and answer using complete sentences.

1. In order list the social hierarchy of Mesopotamian civilizations include the groups in each step of the social order. (5 points)

King	Slaves
Priests	Craftsmen, artisans, merchants, traders
Farmers and Laborers	

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 Traders/Farmers,
 Laborers/Slaves

2. What was the purpose of Hammurabi's Code?

It was written by King Hammurabi to keep order in Babylon. It was one of the world's first written codes of law.

3. Explain the different roles of a pharaoh.

Owned Egypt, Political Leader of Egypt, Oversaw Irrigation System, Was considered to be a god

4. What was the purpose of the pyramids?

They were built to honor the pharaohs and acted as a burial place for pharaohs and his/her advisors.

5. Label the Tigris & Euphrates Rivers. Then label Sumer, Assyria, & Babylon on the map below.

