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River Valleys

* The four main river valleys are the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and Euphrates, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Yellow and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ rivers.

Geography of Mesopotamia

* A \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ climate dominates the region between the Persian Gulf and the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ sea.
* There is a rich section of farmland called the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* There is a plain between the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and Euphrates rivers called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, which means “the land between the rivers” in Greek.
* The Tigris and Euphrates rivers flooded at least once a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ leaving a thick layer if mud called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* This \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ allowed for large quantities of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and barley at harvest time.
* Good \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ attracted settlers to this area.
* There are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ major disadvantages to living in this area.
* Unpredictable \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ combined with a period of little or no rain.
* Sumerians were nearly defenseless because there were no \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ barriers to protect them.
* The natural \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of Sumer were limited. Building materials were \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* The problems were fixed through creative solutions.
* To provide water they dug \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ditches to carry water to their fields.
* For defense, they built \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with mud bricks.
* Sumerians \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ their grain for raw \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ such as stone, wood, and metal.

City-States

* There are five characteristics that set \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ apart from earlier civilizations.
* Advanced \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, specialized \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, complex \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, record keeping, and improved \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* By \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ B.C. Sumerians had built cities that had their own governments, each with its own \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* A \_\_\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ functioned much as a country does today.
* The center of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ cities was the temple called a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Sumerian governments were controlled by temple \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Farmers believed that the success of their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ depended on the blessings of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* The Ziggurat was a place of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and acted like city \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Eventually constant wars called for a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ army with a military \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* The military leader passed on power to their sons, this was called a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Cities grew \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and trade grew with ideas being \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ between different cultures.
* This process of an idea spreading from one culture to another is called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ diffusion.

Culture

* Sumerians believed in many \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ gods that controlled the forces of nature.
* The belief in more than one god is called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Kings, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and priests made up the highest class.
* Next came wealthy \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Followed by the vast majority of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Sumerians who worked in the fields and workshops.
* At the bottom of society were \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Historians believe that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ invented the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and the plow.
* They were among the first to use \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Their number system was based on the number \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* We get the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ second minute, and the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ circle.
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, ramps, and the pyramid influenced later civilizations.
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is considered one of the first forms of writing.

Empires

* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of Akkad conquered the Sumer city states around 2350 B.C.
* It is considered the world’s first \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Sargon’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ lasted only about 200 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Most empires disappear due to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ fighting, invasions, and famines.
* Nomadic warriors called the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ invaded Mesopotamia around 2000 B.C.
* They established their capital city called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ empire reached its peak during the reign of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Hammurabi’s most enduring legacy is his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of laws.
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ code was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in stone.
* It was a single \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ code of laws.
* The code had \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ separate laws.
* The code applied to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ but set different punishments for men and women and to different levels of society.
* The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ was based on the principle of an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Egypt

* The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ river flows north 4100 miles, making it the longest river in the world.
* The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ made the area around it \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* The Nile flooded every June brining fertile black mud called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* The flood waters were too \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ people would starve or have their houses destroyed.
* The vast \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ around the Nile reduced interaction with other people.
* The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ has rapids or waterfalls called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* The mouth of the Nile is called the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ which is marshy triangular area of land formed by deposits of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Egypt Unites into a Kingdom

* Egypt was \_\_\_\_\_ separate kingdoms until king \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ unified them.
* The ancient capital was at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Egypt’s history spanned \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ years and \_\_\_\_ dynasties.
* Rulers called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ were considered \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Rulers in Mesopotamia were \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of gods.
* Government rule based in religion is called a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* The age of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ building happened during the old kingdom.
* The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ were the resting places of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Pyramids were built without the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Each stone weighed at least \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ tons.
* The Great Pyramid took \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ blocks to a height of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Religion

* The Egyptians were \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, they believed in more than one god.
* Most important gods were \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the sun god, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ god of the dead, and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the ideal of woman.
* Worshipped more than \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ god and goddesses.
* Believed in an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Wealthy could afford \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or preserving the body for the afterlife.

Egyptian Society

* Royal family was top of social \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Wealthy landowners, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ officials, priests and army commanders occupied the next step in society.
* Merchants and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ were next.
* Next were \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ farmers, laborers, and slaves were at the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Developed \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as a form of writing where \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ stood for ideas.
* Developed a type of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Invaders

* Power of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ declined about 2180 B.C. marking the end of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ kingdom.
* Strong pharaohs ruled during the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ kingdom.
* Dug a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from the Red Sea to the Nile.
* Around 1640 B.C., the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ attacked through the Sinai and conquered Egypt.

Geography of India

* India, Pakistan, and Bangladesh makeup the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ because this area is cut off from the rest of Asia.
* Mountains to the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the east, the Indus valley is protected from invasion.
* The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ are the two main rivers in India.
* Seasonal winds called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ dominate India’s climate.
* From October to February, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ monsoons from the northeast blow hot dry air westward across the country.
* From June to October, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ monsoons from the Southwest bring moisture where flooding often happens.
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ winds were unpredictable.

Civilization in India

* Around \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ B.C. cities began to develop.
* They built \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to raise their cities above floodwaters.
* Indus valley civilization is sometimes called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ because of many archeological discoveries made on this site.
* Indus valley had the first \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ cities in history. They were laid out on a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ system.
* Sophisticated \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ systems.
* Standard sized \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ were used to build the houses.
* Houses featured \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ where wastewater flowed into the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Culture

* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ system has not been deciphered.
* Believed to be a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* They traded for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Indus Culture Ends

* Around \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ B.C. the cities declined.
* No one knew why until the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ when satellite images showed evidence of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ changing the course of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ river.

Geography of China

* Mountains and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the west and south along with the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the east isolated China from most other cultures.
* Two main river systems were the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ rivers.
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ was a problem with the rivers.
* Because of isolation, they could not \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ very easily.
* Mountains and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ did not give absolute protection against \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Civilization in China

* Around \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ B.C. cities emerged.
* The first dynasty was the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ which lasted for 700 years.
* The Shang were constantly at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, so walled cities were necessary.

Culture

* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ made all of the family decisions.
* Girls from 13 to 16 had arranged \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Women were treated as \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and could only raise their status by giving birth to sons.
* The top of society was the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_-nobles led by a king.
* Shang believed in worshipping their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Priests used \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ bones to get questions answered from the gods.
* Writing system had over \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ characters.

Zhou and Dynastic Cycle

* Around \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ B.C. the Zhou overthrew the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* To justify their conquest, the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ developed the Mandate of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* The mandate said that a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ruled as long as they had the permission from \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Floods, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and invasions were signs that heaven wasn’t happy.
* The rise and fall of the dynasties is called the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* To govern their vast lands, the system of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ developed.
* Where \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is given to a lord or \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in return for military service and loyalty.
* When loyalty between Nobles and the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ diminished, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ became common.
* Built \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and canals.
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ money was introduced.
* Blast \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that produced cast iron was developed.
* Europe would not match their quality until the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Zhou rule lasted until \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ B.C. when \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ attacked and killed the monarch