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**World History I**

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**Section 1—Key Terms**

***General***

Cultural diffusion

Money economy

Barter economy

City-state

Empire

Dynasty

Hierarchy

Bureaucracy

Artisan

Surplus

Polytheism

Theocracy

Monotheism

Prehistory

Anthropologist

Archaeologist

***Mesopotamia***

Sumer

Fertile Crescent

Tigris River

Euphrates River

Ziggurat

Cuneiform

Epic of Gilgamesh

Akkadians

1st Babylonians (Amorites)

Hammurabi

Hittites

Assyrians  
2nd Babylonians (Chaldeans)

Nebuchadnezzar

Persians

Zoroaster

Satrap/Satrapy

Phoenicians

Mediterranean Sea

Hebrews

Covenant

Diaspora

***Egypt***

Cataracts

Delta

Nile River

Nubian Desert

Libyan Desert

Hieroglyphics

Rosetta stone

Papyrus

Flax

Amon-Re

Osiris

Isis

Pharaoh

Vizier

Menes

Khufu

Pyramids

Hyksos

Hatshepsut

Thutmose III

Akhenaton

The Valley of the Kings

Tutankhamen

Howard Carter

Ramses II

Herodotus

***China***

Loess

Clan

Dynastic Cycle

Feudalism

Confucius

Laozi

Philosophy

Filial Piety

Oracle Bones

Character

Calligraphy

Shi Huangdi

Wudi

Monopoly

Expansionism

Civil Servant

Warlord

Acupuncture

Confucianism

Daoism

Legalism

Great Wall of China

Silk Road

**Section 2—Geography, Prehistory, and the Neolithic Revolution**

*Five Themes of Geography*

**Location**

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**Human/Environment Interaction**

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**What is civilization?**

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**Describe the Paleolithic Era (Old Stone Age)**

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**Describe the Neolithic Era (New Stone Age)**

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***The following are causes for human settlement. How did they cause changes in human behavior?***

**Warmer world**

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**Population pressure**

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***These are factors that lead to the development and growth of villages, which later grew into cities. Explain their significance.***

**River valleys**

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**Food surplus**

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**Larger population**

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**Public works/building projects**

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**Section 3—Mesopotamia**

**Why is Mesopotamia known as the crossroads of the world?**

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**What was the geography of the region like?**

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**How did the geography affect the development of specific aspects of culture?**

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**Describe the different economies that were used in Mesopotamia.**

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**Describe the various religions of Mesopotamian civilizations.**

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**Describe the various governmental approaches of Mesopotamian civilizations.**

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**Section 4—Egypt**

**Why did the people settle on the banks of the Nile; what did it offer them?**

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**What were the natural barriers of Egypt *and* why were they important?**

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**What were the defining characteristics of the three Egyptian kingdoms? (Achievements, tragedies, etc.)**

***Old Kingdom***

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***Middle Kingdom***

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***New Kingdom***

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**What was the Egyptian writing system like?**

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**What was life like for women in Egypt? *Why?***

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**Section 5-China**

**How did the geography impact the development of civilization in China?**

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**Describe the important features of the Shang Dynasty (Gov’t, Achievements, Economic Gains)**

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**Describe the important features of the Zhou Dynasty (Gov’t, Achievements, Economic Gains)**

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**Describe the important features of the Qin Dynasty (Gov’t, Achievements, Economic Gains)**

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**Describe the important features of the Han Dynasty (Gov’t, Achievements, Economic Gains)**

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**Why were new philosophies created during the “Warring States” period in Ancient China?** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**What were the basic tenets of Confucianism?** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**What were the basic tenets of Legalism?** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Why was the Han Dynasty considered by historians to be a golden age of Ancient China?** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Short Answer Questions**

***Early humans lived a nomadic lifestyle for thousands of years. Please discuss both the Old and New Stone Age and what life was like in each. Explain the process that occurred when humans gave up the nomadic lifestyle and came to be “civilized.”***

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***How did the geography of Mesopotamia, Egypt, and China influence the development of their civilizations?***

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**Describe the 3 major Chinese Philosophies. How were their goals different? What were their views toward human beings and how government should behave? Which could best be utilized today?**

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