**Sumer**

Answer the following questions in your notebook.

1) Answer the following:

1. In which region of Mesopotamia did the Sumerian civilization develop?
2. When did it develop?
3. How long did it last?
4. Who took over the Sumerian civilization?

2) How did the Sumerians compensate for the lack of rain for their crops?

3) Answer the following:

1. List the crops the Sumerians grew.
2. List the animals they raised.
3. List the animals they hunted.

4) Describe the Sumerians’ religious beliefs.

5) Answer the following:

1. What was a Ziggurat?
2. What was it used for?
3. Describe the location of a Ziggurat in a Sumerian town.
4. What is the significance of a Ziggurat’s location?

6) Answer the following:

1. List the inventions of the early Sumerians.
2. Which of these inventions do you think was most important, and why?

7) Answer the following:

1. Describe what cuneiform looked like.
2. When was cuneiform invented?
3. Why is it difficult for us to read cuneiform today?

8) What was The Epic of Gilgamesh?

9) List three things in our daily lives that are based on Sumerian mathematics.

10) Answer the following:

1. Where were Sumerian schools located, and what does this tell you about the Sumerians feelings toward education?
2. Who could attend school in Sumer?
3. Compare and contrast Sumerian schools with schools today.

11) Answer the following:

1. Describe Sumerian government.
2. Why do you think the Sumerians chose this kind of government?

12) Answer the following:

1. Name two different Sumerian cities.
2. Which Sumerian city was the biggest, and how many people lived there?
3. How does this compare to the size of cities today?

13) Define each of the following words:

1. Sumer
2. Sumerian
3. irrigate
4. canal
5. Ziggurat
6. temple
7. offering
8. kiln
9. The Epic of Gilgamesh
10. pictograph
11. cuneiform
12. Uruk
13. city-state
14. script
15. saffron
16. monarchy
17. Assembly
18. Ur

**Babylonia**

Answer the following questions in your notebook.

1) Answer the following:

1. In which region of Mesopotamia did the Babylonian civilization develop?
2. When did it develop?

2) Answer the following:

1. Who was Hammurabi?
2. What did he create that we remember him for?
3. Why was this creation so important?

3) Answer the following:

1. Who was the most important Babylonian god?
2. What did Hammurabi do in his honour?

4) Make a chart which shows the similarities and differences to living in your town.

5) Describe a typical home in Babylon.

6) Define each of the following words:

1. Babylonia
2. Babylonian
3. Babylon
4. Hammurabi
5. Marduk
6. Procession Avenue
7. Ishtar Gates
8. suburban
9. arbour

**Assyria**

Answer the following questions in your notebook.

1) Answer the following:

1. In which region of Mesopotamia did the Assyrian civilization develop?
2. How were the Assyrians similar to the Sumerians and Babylonians? How were they different?
3. What things were the Assyrians famous for?
4. Why do we think bread must have been considered very important to the Assyrians?

2) Answer the following:

1. What did the Assyrians decorate their buildings with, and why?
2. Describe what archaeologists have found that suggests Assyrians believed in an afterlife.
3. What are the similarities and differences between how the Assyrians buried the rich and the poor?

3) Answer the following:

1. When did the Assyrians finally conquer Babylon?
2. What did the Assyrians do to Babylon, and why?
3. What did the Assyrians to with conquered people, and why?
4. Why did the Assyrians rebuild Babylon?

4) Answer the following:

1. What was the project started by the last Assyrian king?
2. Where was it located?
3. Why was this project so important to our understanding of Mesopotamia?

5) Define each of the following words:

1. Assyria
2. Assyrian
3. caravan
4. artisan
5. ceramics
6. afterlife
7. revolt
8. tablet
9. Ninevah

**Chaldea**

Answer the following questions in your notebook.

1) Answer the following:

1. Who was Nabopolassar?
2. Who did he join forces with to defeat the Assyrians?
3. Who was Nebuchadnezzar?
4. Why did Nebuchadnezzar return to Babylon?
5. What is he best known for?

2) Compare and contrast the Chaldean method of time with our own.

3) Who conquered the Chaldeans in 539 BC, and took over Mesopotamia?

4) Define each of the following words:

1. Chaldea
2. Chaldean
3. Nabopolassar
4. Nebuchadnezzar
5. Cyrus
6. the Hanging Gardens of Babylon
7. astronomy

**Mesopotamia**

Answer the following questions in your notebook.

1. Using the map on page one, describe where Mesopotamia was located.
2. Which four civilizations existed in Mesopotamia?
3. Which outside empire eventually took control of Mesopotamia?