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**Standard and Honors**

**Unit 1: Rise of Civilizations Study Guide**

**Exam Date and Date Due: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Standard and Honors Key Terms and Concepts**

Directions: Be sure you can accurately describe each of the key terms and concept below.

* **Archaeologist**
* **Historian**
* Anthropologist
* Culture
* Written History
* Oral History
* **Primary and Secondary Sources**
* Sociologist
* Economist
* Political Scientist
* **Artifacts**
* Fossils
* A.D./C.E.
* B.C./B.C.E
* **Prehistory**
* **Mary and Louis Leakey**
* Hominids
* **“Lucy”**
* ***Homo Habilis***
* ***Homo Erectus***
* *Homo Sapiens*
* Neanderthals
* **Paleolithic Age**
* **Neolithic Age**
* **“Out of Africa” Theory**
* **Nomads**
* **Hunters and Gatherers**
* Cave Paintings
* Animism
* **Neolithic Revolution**
* Domesticate
* **Civilization**
* Surplus
* **Polytheistic**
* **Monotheistic**
* **Fertile Crescent**
* Sumer
* Mesopotamia
* Dynasties
* **Ziggurats**
* **Cuneiform**
* ***Epic of Gilgamesh***
* Sargon
* **Hammurabi’s Code**
* Civil and Criminal Law
* King Nebuchadnezzar
* Cyrus the Great
* King Darius I
* Money Economy
* **Zoroastrianism**
* Black Land
* Red Land
* Cataract
* **Delta**
* Old Kingdom
* **Bureaucracy**
* Vizier
* Middle Kingdom
* **Subcontinent**
* **Plateau**
* Winter and Summer Monsoons
* Harappa and Mohenjo-Daro
* **Polytheistic**
* **Veneration**
* Nomadic
* **Vedas**
* Rajahs
* Caste System
* ***The Mahabharata***
* ***The Ramayana***
* **Loess**
* “River of Sorrows”
* Dynastic cycle
* **Mandate of Heaven**
* Clans
* **Feudalism**
* Confucius
* **Filial Piety**
* Daoism
* **Oracle Bones**
* Calligraphy
* **Silk**
* Legalism
* **Authoritarian Rule**
* Acupuncture
* **Monotheism**
* Buddhism
* Nirvana
* Karma
* Hinduism
* Christianity
* Bible
* 10 Commandments
* Islam
* Koran
* Judaism
* The Torah

**Standard and Honors Questions**

Directions: Answer the following questions in complete sentences!

**Introduction to History**

1. Define History. What do Historians study?
2. What is the difference between an anthropologist and an archaeologist?
3. What do Geographers study? Define and Explain Human Characteristics and Physical Characteristics.
4. Name 3 Historical Tools.
   1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
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5. Explain the difference between a primary and secondary source. Provide at least one example of each.
6. Define:
   1. B.C./B.C.E
   2. A.C./C.E.
   3. Do we live in B.C. or A.D.?

**Neolithic Revolution**

1. Define Prehistory. Who studies prehistory?
2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ made an important discovery during the 1930s when they found footprints in Africa of the earliest humans, called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
3. How do historians divide prehistory?
   1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or Old Stone Age
   2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or New Stone Age
4. What was life like during the “Old Stone Age?” (At least 5 important Facts)
5. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
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10. What did cave paintings reveal about the people of the Old Stone Age?
11. What was life like during the “New Stone Age?” (At least 5 important Facts)
12. The transition from nomadic life to settled farming is called the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
13. What were three important effects of the Neolithic Revolution?
14. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
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**Civilizations**

1. Define Civilization. Where did the first civilizations begin?
2. What are the 4 “River Civilizations”?
3. Unlike the river civilizations, civilizations in the Americas began in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
4. What are the 5 characteristics of a civilization? What was the 1st civilization?

**Mesopotamian Civilization**

1. What is the Fertile Crescent? Why was the Fertile Crescent beneficial to the development of ancient Mesopotamia?
2. What was the world’s first civilization?
3. Describe at least 3 details about life in ancient Sumer.

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1. What is a ziggurat and what was its purpose in Mesopotamia?
2. Who is King Hammurabi and what is he known for in world history?

**Ancient Egypt**

1. How did the geography of ancient Egypt affect the development of this civilization?
2. Briefly describe each of the following Kingdoms of Ancient Egypt:
   1. Old Kingdom - \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
   2. Middle Kingdom - \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
   3. New Kingdom - \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. Provide 1 fact about each of the following Egyptian pharaohs:
   1. Hatshepsut –
   2. Ramses II –
   3. Akhenaton -
   4. Tutankhamen –
4. Complete the following Social pyramid for Ancient Egyptian society:

1. Describe the ancient Egyptians views of the afterlife. How did one enter the afterlife?

**Indus River Civilization**

1. What is the primary difference between a winter monsoon and a summer monsoon? How did monsoons affect the development of Indus River Civilization?
2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ were the first two cities established in the Indus River Valley.
3. Who were the Aryans?
4. What is a caste system? What were the 4 castes in the Aryan belief system?
5. Name at least 2 achievements of the Gupta and Mauryan Empires. Why were they known as “Golden Ages?”

**Ancient China**

1. Why the Yellow River was named the “River of Sorrows?”
2. What was the Mandate of Heaven and how did the Dynastic Cycle expand the Mandate of Heaven?
3. Describe the following two philosophies:
   1. Confucianism

* 1. Daoism

1. Create a timeline of the Chinese dynasties (Han, Qin, Zhou, Shang) and write 2 facts about each dynasty.
2. The \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ was known as the Golden Age of Chinese civilization because of the many accomplishments made in art, education, math and science.

**Standard and Honors Essay Questions:**

Directions: Standard students will be expected to write a 3 paragraph essay, and Honors students will be expected to write a 5 paragraph essay about one of the following topics:

* Characteristics of Civilization
* Early River civilizations Comparison