

UNIT ONE STUDY GUIDE

Prehistory and the Neolithic Revolution:

1. Distinguish prehistory from history. What can we use to study history? What can we use to study prehistory?
2. Describe how a historian might analyze two sources that completely disagree with one another.
3. What is a hunter-gatherer?
4. Define the Neolithic Revolution.
5. Explain the following chronology: Domestication -> Stable food supply -> surplus -> specialization of labor -> social classes

4 Early Civilizations:

6. What about the 4 early civilizations was conducive to agriculture?
7. Define and give an example of a theocracy.

8. Define and give an example of a dynasty.

9. Describe 2 characteristics of Hammurabi's code:

10. Define and give an example of polytheism.

11. What are the major beliefs of Hinduism?

12. What are the major beliefs of Buddhism?

Ancient Indian Empire and Chinese Dynasties:

13. Describe the Gupta empire's Golden Age.

14. What is Confucianism?

15. Why would the dynastic rule be considered a good thing for China?

16. Who was Shi Huangdi? Describe his rule of China.

17. What is the purpose of a Civil Service Exam?

Greece:

18. Describe the difference between Athens and Sparta.

19. What about Greek philosophers set the stage for Europeans?

20. Describe Hellenistic Greece.

21. What is ancient Greece's lasting legacy?

22. Define and give an example of a democracy.

23. Define and give an example of an oligarchy.

Rome:

24. Describe the Law of 12 Tables.

25. How did Rome transition from a Republic to an Empire?

26. What is ancient Rome's lasting legacy? 27. Describe a factor that led to Rome's fall.