

AP World History

*Development of Civilization,
(Prehistory to 800 B.C.E.)*

Foundations of Civilization

Study Guide



The Sphinx and Great Pyramid at Giza

Chapter 1

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To prepare for the unit test, you should be able to answer the questions below.

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1. What triggered the development of agriculture?
2. Why did farming initially develop in the Middle East?
3. How did sedentary agriculture lead to societal changes?
4. Explain the significance of the shift to the Bronze Age.
5. Describe the achievements of the Sumerians.
6. What is significant about the Babylonians?
7. Summarize Egyptian civilization.
8. What has been the difficulty in studying Harappan civilization?
9. Describe the achievements of the early Huanghe (early Shang) civilization.
10. What legacy did the river valley civilizations impart for later ages?
11. Explain the significance of the Phoenicians.
12. What was the significance of the development of Jewish monotheism?

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Identify

Who? What? Where? When?

1. Ethnocentrism
2. Paleolithic Age
3. Pastoralism
4. Neolithic Revolution
5. Bronze Age
6. Slash and burn agriculture
7. Cuneiform
8. Mesopotamia
9. Ziggurats
10. City-states
11. Hammurabi
12. Ideographic
13. Mandate of Heaven
14. Monotheism