## APWH Notes | Early Civilizations (Pair with AMSCO 2)

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## Outcomes:

At the conclusion of this section, students will have:

- Located and labeled the four early civilization centers
- Defined/discussed the meaning of 'civilization' and other key vocabulary terms
- Compared/contrasted characteristics of each of the four early civilizations

**Big Idea:** With the Neolithic Revolution, humans were able to create permanent settlements and begin the long march towards modernity. Farming allowed some parts of various populations to specialize, pushing the limits of ancient technology, as well as political and religious authority. Early permanent settlements gave way to cities and regions, forming early civilizations. It is the civilizations of the Old World that modern societies often turn to as the foundation of our way of life. Laws, written languages, and religious beliefs were all born in these earliest civilizations, growing more and more complex, evolving into the ideas, philosophies, and communication tools we know today.

## KEY VOCABULARY (Check AMSCO for which are on quiz)

| Axum              | Desertification   | Mandate of Heaven | Sanskrit        | Theocrats |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------|
| City-States       | Division of Labor | Mesopotamia       | Scribes         | Vedic Age |
| Code of Hammurabi | Epic of Gilgamesh | Olmec             | Shang Dynasty   | Ziggurat  |
| Cuneiform         | Fertile Crescent  | Pharaoh           | Sumer/Sumerians |           |



MAKE SURE YOU CAN LABEL THE FOUR ANCIENT RIVER VALLEY CIVILIZATIONS SHOWN ABOVE:

NILE

TIGRIS AND EUPHRATES

INDUS AND GANGES

YELLOW RIVER

Date: Class:

| TOPIC:   | MAIN IDEAS:  |
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| 1. End of Stone Age  | <ul> <li>Bronze Age: began about 6,000 years ago in 3000 BCE         <ul> <li>How did humans change how they lived?</li> </ul> </li> </ul>   |
| 2. Civilization         Image: Civilization </th <th><ul> <li>Permanent settlements like in Turkey led to the emergence of civilization</li> <li>What are the four characteristics of a civilization?</li> <li> <ul> <li>•</li> </ul> </li> </ul></th> | <ul> <li>Permanent settlements like in Turkey led to the emergence of civilization</li> <li>What are the four characteristics of a civilization?</li> <li> <ul> <li>•</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |

|  | 3. TIGRIS EUPHRATES<br>RIVER | 4. NILE RIVER | 5. INDUS RIVER | 6. HUANG HE/YELLOW<br>RIVER |
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| WHERE                                    |                              |               |                |                             |
| WHEN                                     |                              |               |                |                             |
| RELIGIOUS<br>BELIEFS AND/OR<br>PRACTICES |                              |               |                |                             |
| POLITICAL<br>ORGANIZATION                |                              |               |                |                             |
| OTHER<br>IMPORTANT<br>INFO TO ADD        |                              |               |                |                             |