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| Why were river valleys important to early civilizations?Grow crops, supply water, travel | Which early civilizations were polytheistic & where were they located?All Polytheistic,Africa, Asia, Middle East | What is the earliest writing we have found?Cunieform | What was the Code of Hammurabi?Law Codes in Mesopotamia to give order | What was the caste system?Social structure in India | Which product was heavily traded out of China?Silk |
| What was the Mandate of Heaven?Approval of the Gods to Chinese ruler | What is a dynasty?A family of rulers who pass down power to rule to family | How did Buddhism move to China from India?Cultural diffusion | What is filial piety?Respect & Honor to elders in the family | What is Daoism?Religion focused on “The Way” or  | How does Hinduism influence the Caste System?It’s religious text determined the social structure & reincarnations determines your caste |
| What is reincarnation?Reborn in a different form | According to Buddhism, what causes suffering?Attachment to wordly things (desire) | What idea does Confucianism focus on?Your duty (to family & relationships with people) | What is karma?Rewards you for good or bad behavior (especially through reincarnation)  | What was the civil service exam?Test anyone can take to be a government official | What was Zhou feudalism?Rich nobles own land and peasnts work on it in exchange for profit/goods |
| What is irrigation?Moving water from (lake, river) to crop fields | What is a civilization?A complex culture in which large numbers of human beings share a number of common elements | What was the Fertile Crescent? An arch a land between the Tigris & Euphrates rivers | What is domestication of animals?Adapting animals for human use | What is a pictograph?Written languages using symbols (hieroglyphics)  | What was a pharaoh?A ruler of an Egyptian dynasty |

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Directions: Write down a civilization of your choice and give an example of its characteristic. An example has been done for you

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| Characteristic: Large Cities/Surplus Food | Characteristic: Specialized Jobs | Characteristic: Complex Institutions | Characteristic: Social Structure | Characteristic: Writing | Characteristic: Technology/Art  |
| Civilization:*Mesopotamia*Example:*Tigris & Euphrates River supplied enough water for survival* | Civilization: MesopotamiaExample: scribe | Civilization:EgyptExample:Pharaoh ruled as a religious & political leader | Civilization:IndiaExample: Caste System | Civilization: ChinaExample: oracle bones | Civilization:IndiaExample: Plumbing systems |