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Match the terms.

- a. Hittites
- b. Hammurabi
- c. Sargon of Akkad
- d. Moses
- e. Nebuchadnezzar
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- j. *Lex talionis*
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52. Hero of the oldest known epic
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53. Powerful Babylonian king who formulated a sophisticated law code

Students should be able to describe the following key terms, concepts, individuals, and places, and explain their significance.

54. Ziggurats

55. Cuneiform

56. *Epic of Gilgamesh*

57. *Lex talionis*

58. Yahweh

59. Sumerians

60. Babylonians

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67. Jews

68. Monotheism

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90. Euphrates

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93. Examine the history of the Hebrews. Why did they have so much trouble uniting into a powerful political force? How did their wanderings and misfortune affect the development of Judaism?

94. Examine the rise of the Mesopotamians. What were the political and cultural foundations of their society? Who were the most important leaders?

95. Examine the reign of Hammurabi. In what ways was his reign the high point of Mesopotamian history? Explain the significance of his code.

96. Examine the section on Hammurabi's code on page 43. What does this code tell us about the status of women in Mesopotamia? How does it reflect the larger social structure of the Mesopotamians?

97. What role did the Indo-Europeans play in history? What were their main contributions?
98. Examine the social structure of the Mesopotamians. Were there great divisions between the different social classes? How had the social distinctions changed since the period of prehistory?
99. What role did technological innovations and trade play in the rise of the Mesopotamians? What innovations led to turning points in the histories of these societies? How widely did they trade?
100. What were the major achievements of the Mesopotamians? How did these achievements influence later societies?
101. Examine the creation of early methods of writing. How did this innovation influence the lives of the peoples of the ancient world?
102. What does the *Epic of Gilgamesh* tell us about the worldview of the Mesopotamians? Why might there not be an Egyptian equivalent?

103. Compare and contrast the religious beliefs of the Mesopotamians, Egyptians, Hebrews, and Assyrians. What do the differences tell us about these societies?
104. Examine the question of monotheism. Why was it such an unusual religious view in the ancient world?
105. Examine the map on page 33. Identify the main geographical factors that might have influenced the development of Mesopotamia. How do geographical conditions influence political and religious factors?
106. Compare the maps on pages 33 and 38. What can we learn from these maps about the spread of humankind? In what ways could the rise of empires play a role in the transmission of culture?
107. Examine the map on page 46. Why would the journeys of the Phoenicians prove to be so important?
108. Examine the map on page 53. Trace the migrations of the Indo-Europeans. How influential were these journeys, and how do they continue to shape the world today?

109. What does the illustration on page 37 tell us about the relationship between Mesopotamian kings and their gods? What is the significance of Hammurabi's Law Code being inscribed on the basalt stele?
110. Look at the illustration of the Assyrian king Ashurbanipal on page 41. While the Assyrians have a well-deserved reputation for ferocity, they were also splendid artists. Can art serve as historical evidence? What might this relief sculpture tell you about the king pictured and the artist who produced the work? Why would the king have ordered such a sculpture to be produced?
111. Examine the tables on page 51 and 52. What can you learn about the continuing influence of the ancient world from the facts presented?
112. Examine the selection from the Old Testament on page 50. Can religious texts like the Old Testament also serve as historical sources? What might be the dangers?

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- D.** Phoenicians.
- E. Babylonians.

Bentley - 002 Chapter... #37

38. Which of the following languages is not of Indo-European origin?

(p. 51)

- A.** Egyptian.
- B. Sanskrit.
- C. Old Persian.
- D. Greek.
- E. Latin.

Bentley - 002 Chapter... #38

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Bentley - 002 Chapter... #41

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- b. Hammurabi
- c. Sargon of Akkad
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d

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52. Hero of the oldest known epic

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53. Powerful Babylonian king who formulated a sophisticated law code

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Students should be able to describe the following key terms, concepts, individuals, and places, and explain their significance.

54. Ziggurats
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55. Cuneiform
Answers will vary *Bentley - 002 Chapter... #54*
56. *Epic of Gilgamesh*
Answers will vary *Bentley - 002 Chapter... #55*
57. *Lex talionis*
Answers will vary *Bentley - 002 Chapter... #56*
58. Yahweh
Answers will vary *Bentley - 002 Chapter... #57*
59. Sumerians
Answers will vary *Bentley - 002 Chapter... #58*
60. Babylonians
Answers will vary *Bentley - 002 Chapter... #59*
61. Assyrians
Answers will vary *Bentley - 002 Chapter... #60*
62. Phoenicians
Answers will vary *Bentley - 002 Chapter... #61*
63. Torah
Answers will vary *Bentley - 002 Chapter... #62*
64. Hittites
Answers will vary *Bentley - 002 Chapter... #63*
65. Hebrews
Answers will vary *Bentley - 002 Chapter... #64*
66. Israelites
Answers will vary *Bentley - 002 Chapter... #65*
67. Jews
Answers will vary *Bentley - 002 Chapter... #66*
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68. Monotheism
Answers will vary

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69. Polytheism
Answers will vary

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70. Sargon of Akkad
Answers will vary

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71. Hammurabi
Answers will vary

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72. Gilgamesh
Answers will vary

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73. Abraham
Answers will vary

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74. David
Answers will vary

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75. Solomon
Answers will vary

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76. Nebuchadnezzar
Answers will vary

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77. Ashurbanipal
Answers will vary

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78. Moses
Answers will vary

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79. Kish
Answers will vary

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80. Assyria
Answers will vary
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81. Mesopotamia
Answers will vary
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82. Egypt
Answers will vary
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83. Phoenicia
Answers will vary
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84. Uruk
Answers will vary
Bentley - 002 Chapter... #84
85. Ur
Answers will vary
Bentley - 002 Chapter... #85
86. Babylon
Answers will vary
Bentley - 002 Chapter... #86
87. Judea
Answers will vary
Bentley - 002 Chapter... #87
88. Tyre
Answers will vary
Bentley - 002 Chapter... #88
89. Tigris
Answers will vary
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90. Euphrates
Answers will vary
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91. Anatolia
Answers will vary
Bentley - 002 Chapter... #91
92. Jerusalem
Answers will vary
Bentley - 002 Chapter... #92
93. Examine the history of the Hebrews. Why did they have so much trouble uniting into a powerful political force? How did their wanderings and misfortune affect the development of Judaism?

Answers will vary
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94. Examine the rise of the Mesopotamians. What were the political and cultural foundations of their society? Who were the most important leaders?

Answers will vary

95. Examine the reign of Hammurabi. In what ways was his reign the high point of Mesopotamian history? Explain the significance of his code.

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Answers will vary

96. Examine the section on Hammurabi's code on page 43. What does this code tell us about the status of women in Mesopotamia? How does it reflect the larger social structure of the Mesopotamians?

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Answers will vary

97. What role did the Indo-Europeans play in history? What were their main contributions?

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Answers will vary

98. Examine the social structure of the Mesopotamians. Were there great divisions between the different social classes? How had the social distinctions changed since the period of prehistory?

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Answers will vary

99. What role did technological innovations and trade play in the rise of the Mesopotamians? What innovations led to turning points in the histories of these societies? How widely did they trade?

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Answers will vary

100. What were the major achievements of the Mesopotamians? How did these achievements influence later societies?

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Answers will vary

101. Examine the creation of early methods of writing. How did this innovation influence the lives of the peoples of the ancient world?

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Answers will vary

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102. What does the *Epic of Gilgamesh* tell us about the worldview of the Mesopotamians? Why might there not be an Egyptian equivalent?

Answers will vary

103. Compare and contrast the religious beliefs of the Mesopotamians, Egyptians, Hebrews, and Assyrians. What do the differences tell us about these societies?

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Answers will vary

104. Examine the question of monotheism. Why was it such an unusual religious view in the ancient world?

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Answers will vary

105. Examine the map on page 33. Identify the main geographical factors that might have influenced the development of Mesopotamia. How do geographical conditions influence political and religious factors?

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Answers will vary

106. Compare the maps on pages 33 and 38. What can we learn from these maps about the spread of humankind? In what ways could the rise of empires play a role in the transmission of culture?

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Answers will vary

107. Examine the map on page 46. Why would the journeys of the Phoenicians prove to be so important?

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Answers will vary

108. Examine the map on page 53. Trace the migrations of the Indo-Europeans. How influential were these journeys, and how do they continue to shape the world today?

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Answers will vary

109. What does the illustration on page 37 tell us about the relationship between Mesopotamian kings and their gods? What is the significance of Hammurabi's Law Code being inscribed on the basalt stele?

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Answers will vary

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110. Look at the illustration of the Assyrian king Ashurbanipal on page 41. While the Assyrians have a well-deserved reputation for ferocity, they were also splendid artists. Can art serve as historical evidence? What might this relief sculpture tell you about the king pictured and the artist who produced the work? Why would the king have ordered such a sculpture to be produced?

Answers will vary

111. Examine the tables on page 51 and 52. What can you learn about the continuing influence of the ancient world from the facts presented?

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Answers will vary

112. Examine the selection from the Old Testament on page 50. Can religious texts like the Old Testament also serve as historical sources? What might be the dangers?

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