Title: Mesopotamia – Guided Notes

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|  | Geography of MesopotamiaPart of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_” – fertile arc of land that extends from the Persian Gulf to the Nile River  * + - \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to many early civilizations  Mostly \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(climate with low precipitation)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Deserts\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_and dry  * + few \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   + made travel by land difficult  Between the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Rivers  * + - Means \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in Greek     - Flow down from \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in modern day Turkey  Rivers \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ every year and deposit minerals andnutrients called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (small particles of fertile soil).very \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(good for growing)  * + - Rivers meet at the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Government of MesopotamiaFirst inhabitants were called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , build civilization around 5000BC  * + - Dwelt in area in southern Mesopotamia called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.   + \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ brings water from rivers further inland     - Allows for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  People organized into city-states (city and surrounding farm land)Many city-states were a monarchy or a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (government run by religious leaders)  * + - * \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ have power, but kings also rule. * Ur (2600 BC) and Babylon (2000BC)  Eventually some city-states grow to become \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (groups of different people under one ruler)Babylon, Assyria, Chaldea (see book notes)First recorded laws are from Mesopotamia  * + - Called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_       * Written by a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ King named Hammurabi       * Harsh \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ based on “eye for an eye” justice  Religion of MesopotamiaMost people \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(worshipped many gods and goddesses)Gods for Earth, Sky, Sun, Moon, Fresh Water, Salt Water, Wind  * + - * \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (sky) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (water)  Built \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(temples) for gods to live in.looked like step \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Only \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ could enter temple at top.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ left for the god so they could liveLanguage of MesopotamiaInvented writing called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (system of wedge shaped marks)Used by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to keep track of trade and moneyA \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (stick or reed used for writing) was used to make a mark in a wet clay tablet  * + - Wrote many stories and poems about heroes called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is the oldest first story recorded in words!Social StructureThree classes of people*Upper class* – \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*Middle class* (biggest) – \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (skilled workers), \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ,farmers and fishermen*Lowest class* – \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(prisoners of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (people who owe money)Men ran the households  * + - Only boys could go to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Women limited, but were allowed to run \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and buy/sell \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.EconomyBased on farming and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_– mutual exchange of goods between people or nations  * + - Used a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (trade where goods are exchanged for other goods instead of “money”)  Traded with Egypt and Indiatraded \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (clothing and fabrics) grain and other artisan goods in exchange for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, gold, stone and other \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Trading spread new \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_and\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_throughout the world. |
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