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Big Idea -

For the first time, people moved from a nomadic lifestyle to settled civilization in the Fertile Crescent

Essential Questions-

How did physical geography affect the growth of civilization in the Fertile Crescent?

What were the features of some of the first Mesopotamian city-states?

How were the social classes arranged and who were the members of each class?

What are the advantages of a written code of laws as opposed to a set of spoken laws?

What accomplishments is the Mesopotamian empire known for?

| Concepts | PA Core/Competencies | Resources | Assessments |
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| Hunter-gatherers – from nomadic to permanent settlements. | • 7.2.6.B | myWorld Interactive World History Early Ages Text; Pearson Education | myWorld Interactive World History Early Ages; Pearson Education unit assessments |
| Geography of Mesopotamia | • 7.2.6.A | Education | Education unit assessments |
| Uses of the riversSocial classes | • 7.4.6.A 8.4.6.A 7.3.6.A | | |
| Hammurabi's code – first set of written laws | * 5.1.6.A 8.4.6.B 5.1.6.C 5.2.6.B 5.3.6.D | | |
| Babylonian city-state rulers/gov't defense/military | 5.2.6.A 5.4.6.A 5.2.6.C 5.3.6.B 5.3.6.C | | |
| Daily life | 5.4.6.B 7.4.6.A | | |

| -religion -role of women and children - Cuneiform -first written | 8.4.6.C | | | | | |
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| language -inventions of | 8.4.6.A | 8.4.6.C | 8.4.6.D | | | |
| Mesopotamians | | | | | | |
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| Vocabulary: nomad, ziggurat, cuneiform, fertile, irrigation, scribe, class system | | | | | | |
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Big Idea – Thousands of years ago a civilization developed in the Nile River Valley

Essential Questions-

How did the geography of Egypt affect settlement patterns along the Nile?

What role did the pharaoh play in ancient Egypt?

What is a social pyramid?

What was daily life like for different social classes in ancient Egypt?

How did the flooding of the Nile affect trade and daily life for Egyptians?

How did the Egyptians use technology and organization to build the pyramids?

| Concepts | PA Core/Competencies | Resources | Assessments |
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| Geography of Egypt | • | myWorld Interactive World | myWorld Interactive World |
| Gifts of the Nile | | History Early Ages Text; Pearson | History Early Ages; Pearson |
| Pharaohs and dynasties | | Education | Education unit assessments |
| Social classes | | | |
| Role of women | | | |
| Mummification process | | | |
| Hieroglyphics and | | | |
| writing | | | |
| Gods and religion | | | |
| Famous landmarks | | | |
| Pyramids at Giza | | | |
| - Sphinx | | | |
| - Karnak/Luxor | | | |
| Valley of the kings | | | |
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| Hatshepsut and her | | | |
| legacy | | | |
| King Tutankhamun | | | |
| Life and death | | | |
| Discovery of tomb | | | |
| by Howard Carter | | | |

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Big Idea -

Essential Questions-

How does geography have an effect on the way people live on the peninsula? Is democracy the best form of government?

| Concepts | PA Core/Competencies | Resources | Assessments |
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| Geography of Grecian peninsula Natural resources and crops Gods, goddesses, myths Olympics Athens geographical location architecture social classes military democracy gov't Role of women * Sparta geographical location social classes military oligarchy gov't role of women | | myWorld Interactive World Geography Text; Pearson Education | myWorld Interactive World Geography; Pearson Education unit assessments |

Vocabulary: peninsula, democracy, oligarchy,