Mesopotamia Study Guide

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1. Where is Mesopotamia found? Why does the name Mesopotamia make sense for the location?
2. How does the flooding of the river a positive and a negative thing for the people of Mesopotamia?
3. How does farming and irrigation lead to civilization? (use the comic strip to help)
4. How was silt helpful in the ancient world?
5. What is a city-state?
6. Who was Sargon? What did he do?
7. What was the purpose of religion in the past? Why were most religions polytheistic?
8. Who was in the highest social class? Where did most people in society belong?
9. How was the treatment of men and women different in Sumer?
10. What is cuneiform? How did it change things in the past?
11. Who were the people that learned to read and write?
12. What did the Sumerians invent?
13. What was Hammurabi’s Code? What did it do?
14. Why are written laws important?
15. Who were the Hittites? What did they do?
16. Who were the Assyrians? What did they do?
17. Who were the Chaldeans? What did they do?
18. Who were the Phoenicians? What did they do?
19. Why would the Phoenician alphabet be important to us today?