

# Period I Key Concept Mashup

## 8000 B.C.E. to 600 B.C.E.

Key Concept “mashups” organize the Key Concepts of AP World History by the topic and order they will be discussed in class. All required content for the unit is included here.

### Unit topics

1. From Paleolithic to Neolithic
2. Migrations and Nomads
3. The Rise of Civilizations and the Interactions among them

#### **From Paleolithic to Neolithic**

Earliest human migrations and societies

Out of Africa (1.1.I.)

Fire and tools (1.1.I.A and B.)

First human societies (1.1.I.C.)

Climate change and the discovery of agriculture (1.2.I.A.)

Population increases (1.2.II.A.)

New levels of cooperation (1.2.I.D.)

Surpluses lead to specialization of labor, military and social elites (1.2.II.B.)

Improvements in crafts, tools, and transportation (1.2.II.C.)

Better tools increased the surpluses: bronze (1.2.II.C.)

Development of hierarchies (1.2.II.D.)

Effect of Neolithic revolution on the environment (1.2.I.E.)

#### **Migrations and Nomads**

Indo-European migration: Aryans and Vedic religion (1.3.III.E.)

Pastoral nomadism (1.2.I.B.)

Pastoral societies and population (1.2.II.A.)

Pastoral lifestyle and the environment (1.2.I.E.)

Role of Pastoral nomads in the dissemination of new technologies and techniques (1.3.II.D.)

Jews and monotheism (1.3.II.E.)

#### **The Rise of Civilizations and the Interactions among them**

Rise of Civilization: preconditions, definitions, and locations (1.3.I.)

Indus River Valley Civilization

Urban planning: Mohenjo Daro and Harappa sewage and water systems, roads (1.3.III.A)

Trade with Mesopotamia (1.3.III.F.)

Literary traditions: Rig Veda (1.3.III.E.)

Mesopotamia

Urban planning: Ziggurats (1.3.III.A.)

Systems of record keeping: Cuneiform (1.3.III.C.)

Literary traditions: Epic of Gilgamesh (1.3.III.H.)

Religion to support authority of king (3.1.II.A.)

Early empire building: Babylon (1.3.II.C.)

States developed legal codes: Code of Hammurabi (1.3.III.D.)

Gender hierarchies and social stratification (1.3.III.G.)  
Rise of Zoroastrianism (1.3.III.E.)  
Hittite Empire and iron (1.3.II.A.)

## Egypt

Early empire building: Egypt (1.3.II.C.)  
Urban planning: Pyramids (1.3.III.A.)  
Systems of record keeping: Hieroglyphics (1.3.III.C.)  
Literary traditions: Myth of Osiris (1.3.III.H.)  
Gender hierarchies and social stratification (1.3.III.G.)  
Religion to support authority of king: king was a deity (1.3.II.A.)  
New modes of transportation: chariots (1.3.II.D.)  
Trade and interaction with Nubia (1.3.III.F.)