

Units I & II Timeline PROJECT

60pts

INTRODUCTION

In World Studies we often study one culture at a time. But we know that many cultures existed at the same time in different regions. Your task is to construct a timeline that shows the dates of major events, developments, people and places covered during Units I and II. The purpose is to make connections between different cultures in different regions during the time period covered, which is roughly from 10,000 B.C. to 500 B.C.



TASK & REQUIREMENTS

- DUE DATE:** Your timeline is due on **TUESDAY December 1st, 2015**. There will be absolutely NO late timelines accepted. If you do not have it ready to turn in **that day during your specific class time** you will receive a zero.
- You **MUST** include the following on your timeline:
 - **BABYLONIAN EXILE 586–539 B.C.** - The Babylonians destroy Jerusalem and take many Jews into captivity. The Persians conquer the Babylonians and release the Jews, many to return home.
 - **First Temple Built 965 B.C.** – King Solomon builds the First Temple of Jerusalem.
 - **Kingdom of Israel Established c. 1000 B.C.** - David becomes king of Israel, uniting the Israelites and choosing Jerusalem as his capital.
 - **Shang Dynasty c.1750-1045 B.C.** – Shang develop along the Huang He river in China becoming the first official dynasty of China.
 - **Migration to Canaan c.1950 B.C.** - According to the Torah, Abraham, ancestor of the Israelites, moves his family from Ur in Mesopotamia to Canaan, where they become herders.
 - **Code of Hammurabi c. 1792-1750 B.C.** – King Hammurabi creates a code of laws to unify and preserve order in the Babylonian Empire.
 - **Assyrian Empire 900-612 B.C.** – Under Assyrian rule, the citizens of Mesopotamia obey their kings and gods
 - **IRON AGE BEGINS c. 1200s B.C.** – First smelting of iron begins in the Middle East and spans outward.
 - **Neo-Babylonian Empire c. 605-539 B.C.** – The Neo-Babylonians make advances in fields of mathematics and astronomy and build the Hanging Gardens.
 - **Sumerians Create City-States c. 3500-3000 B.C.** – Sumerians use irrigation to provide a stable food supply, enabling villages to grow into powerful city-states.
 - **First Cities c. 4000 B.C.** – Ancient Mesopotamians establish the first cities (like Ur) along the Tigris and Euphrates rivers.
 - **Cuneiform c. 2400 B.C.** – Sumerians develop a written language, called cuneiform, to record information about trade.
 - **Akkadian Empire c. 2300-2100 B.C.** – Akkadians build the world's first empire in the Fertile Crescent region under Sargon the Great.
 - **Beginning of Agriculture c. 10,000-8,000 B.C.** – People learn how to domesticate animals and grow crops for food.
 - **Rule of the Kushite Pharaohs c. 730-655 B.C.** – Kushite pharaohs rule a united Egypt and Kush after the surrender of northern Egypt to Kush.
 - **Chavín 900-200 B.C.** – The Chavín develop in South America, create trade networks, build cities and religious temples, and become the ancestral culture of the Inca.
 - **BRONZE AGE BEGINS c. 3300s B.C.** – First smelting of copper & tin to make Bronze develops in the Middle East at this time and spreads outward.
 - **Indus River Valley Civilization 3300s-1700 B.C.** – Indian civilization begins with the emergence of cities along the Indus river. Two major cities are Harappa and Mohenjo-Daro.
 - **Last Ice Age Ends c. 12,000 B.C.** – The earth begins to warm and the great ice-sheets over the northern part of earth recede, and the great migration of animal herds starts to end.
 - **Minoans 2500s-1500s B.C.** – The Minoans develop on the Island Crete, build palaces (Knossos)
 - **Mycenaeans 1900s-1100s B.C.** – The Mycenaeans developed on mainland Greece, bring chariots, kingship and
 - **Moses & The Exodus c. 1400s** – Around this time the great prophet of the Israelites, Moses, led the Israelite slaves out of Egypt to go live in Canaan. The Torah would be written during this time.

- **Aryan Migrations & Vedas c. 1500-1200 B.C.** – The Aryans move into India at this time. They write the Vedas which are the earliest Indian texts, from which Hinduism traces its roots.
- **Phoenician alphabet 1200s B.C.** – Phoenicians were traders and colonizers who developed the oldest verified alphabet at this time.
- **Olmec 1200-400 B.C.** – Olmec develop in central Mexico, build cities, colossal head stone, & become the ancestor culture for the future Maya and Aztec

3. You must put all of the events/developments on your timeline in chronological order.
4. You MUST include **at least 5 additional events/developments/people on the timeline** that were either discussed or not discussed in class. You will need to research the internet to choose 5 not discussed in class. Be sure to give dates and a brief description for each.
5. You must provide a visual/picture representation on the timeline for each of your events/developments /people. You can print pictures and paste them, or draw them, or copy and paste them.
6. The styles in which you can do this project are as follows:
 - a. Poster-board
 - b. Copy paper sheets taped together (8 ½" x 11") or (8 ½" x 14")
 - c. Ringed index-cards
 - d. Baseball-card sleeves