

HIST 101H
Early Western Civilization to 1000 CE
Spring 2018

Quiz #1 – Early Civilizations (Study Guide)

Section I

Directions: Be able to identify each of the people/objects/places/terms/events below. In a short answer, explain why are they significant and how they influenced Early Western History?

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| 1. The Epic of Gilgamesh | 11. The Tanakh |
| 2. The Valley of the Kings | 12. Cyrus the Great |
| 3. Chauvet Caves | 13. Fertile Crescent |
| 4. Cuneiform | 14. Thera |
| 5. Hammurapi | 15. Ötzi |
| 6. Lucy | 16. The Phoenicians |
| 7. Akhenaten | 17. Solomon's Temple |
| 8. Neolithic Period | 18. The Stepped Pyramid of Djoser |
| 9. Assyrians | 19. Zoroastrianism |
| 10. Ur | 20. The Battle of Kadesh |

Section II

Directions: Be prepared to answer the following questions. Answer the question completely and include some discussion of primary sources, where appropriate, to support your answer.

1. What factors spurred the development of written scripts? How did the development of written scripts affect the societies that developed them?
2. Compare the Neo-Assyrian state and Persian Empire. How did they form different types of states? How did each try to integrate its realms?
3. Why was the Nile 'central' to life in Egypt?
4. How did the cultures of the Minoans and Mycenaeans contribute to the development of Greece?
5. Describe the reforms of Akhenaten and discuss his role as a 'revolutionary'.
6. Compare the Minoan and Egyptian cultures, particularly in terms of art, architecture, and world view.
7. Discuss the problems of interpreting Neolithic culture.
8. Discuss the agricultural and technological revolutions of early humans and their impact on the development of early societies.