**World Studies Honors**

*From early human survival and civilizations, to empires and religions*

Human Culture and Early Middle East Unit Test

Study Guide

1. **Culture:** 
   1. Language and communication
   2. Arts and literature
   3. Economics
   4. Science and technology
   5. Religion
   6. Customs and traditions
   7. Social organization
   8. Government
2. **Maslow’s Hierarchy of Human Needs**
   1. Physiological
   2. **Safety**
   3. **Social/Belonging**
   4. **Esteem**
      1. **Lower value**
      2. **Higher value**
   5. **Self-actualization**
3. **Human Pre-History**
   1. Nomad
   2. Hunter/Gatherer
   3. Stone Age
      1. Inventions, technologies
      2. Cave Paintings
   4. Pastoralists
   5. Archaeology
      1. Royal Tombs of Ur
4. **Agricultural Revolution: Middle East**
   1. Domestication
      * 1. Plants
        2. Animals
   2. Bronze Age
      1. Inventions
      2. Catal Huyuk
5. **Civilization**
   1. The Progression of Advanced Civilization:
      1. Cities (large populations)
      2. Specialized Workers
      3. Complex Institutions (government, police, religions, etc.)
      4. Record keeping (writing)
      5. Improved technology
   2. Impact of geography on the development of civilizations (why do things happen where they do?)
6. **Mesopotamia**
   1. Physical geography and natural resources (flooding, natural barriers)
   2. Sumer
   3. Polytheism
   4. Hammurabi
   5. Agriculture
   6. Technology/writing
7. **Egypt**
   1. Geography and resources
   2. Pyramids
   3. Religion
   4. Government structure
   5. Written communication
8. **Assyria**
   1. Libraries/Cuneiform
   2. Technology
   3. Strengths
   4. Weaknesses
   5. Jerusalem
   6. Conquered peoples
9. **Persia**
   1. Strategy
   2. Technology
   3. Cyrus
   4. Darius
   5. Rise and fall
   6. Conquered peoples
10. **Rise of Christianity**
    1. Life of Jesus
    2. Teachings
       1. Influence of Judaism
       2. Differences with Judaism
    3. Interaction with Roman Empire
       1. INRI
       2. Manner of death
    4. Easter
    5. Apostles
    6. Paul
    7. Constantine
    8. Edict of Milan
    9. Council of Nicea (Nicene Creed)
    10. Status of Jesus
    11. The Bible
11. **The Origins of Judaism**
    1. Abraham
    2. Egypt
    3. Moses
    4. Passover
    5. Exodus
    6. Ten Commandments
    7. The Torah
    8. The First Temple (Solomon)
    9. The Assyrians/Babylonians (Nebuchadnezzar)
    10. The Babylonian captivity
    11. Cyrus the Great/return to Jerusalem
    12. The Second Temple
    13. Roman Occupation/rebellion/destruction of Second Temple (Western Wall)
    14. Diaspora
12. **Rise of Islam**
    1. Geographic location
    2. Arabian Peninsula before Muhammad
    3. Muhammad’s life (occupation)
    4. Muhammad’s teachings
    5. The Koran
    6. Status of Muhammad
    7. Sunni
    8. Shia
    9. Spread of Islam
    10. The Five Pillars of Islam
    11. Muslim Culture