

AP World History 9 Summer Assignment

Textbook – *World Civilizations: The Global Experience*, Peter N. Stearns

Reading Assignment – Chapter 1: From Human Prehistory to the Early Civilizations

Part I – Identifications: Identify each of the following terms from the textbook. Use your own words and record all identifications on a separate sheet of paper.

1. Prehistory
2. Metalworking
3. Civilization
4. Hunting and gathering
5. Culture
6. Matrilocal
7. Nomads
8. Band
9. Slash and burn agriculture
10. Ideographs
11. *Homo sapiens*
12. matrilineal
13. domestication
14. Neanderthals
15. Pastoralism
16. Paleolithic Age
17. Mesolithic/Middle Stone Age
18. Neolithic Age
19. Neolithic Revolution
20. Development of Writing
21. Emergence of civilization
22. Bronze Age
23. Agrarian revolution
24. Sumerians
25. Shang Dynasty
26. Jews
27. Babylonians
28. Hammurabi
29. Indo-Europeans
30. Harappa

Part II – Questions for Analysis: Construct a brief written response to each of the following questions.

1. Define and explain the term “civilization.”
2. Compare the river valley civilizations.
3. Describe what factors enabled civilizations to develop.
4. Identify the characteristics that are critical for a society to become a civilization.
5. Compare the drawbacks of non-civilized societies with civilized societies.
6. Compare the advantages of an agriculturally-based society with a hunter-gatherer society.
7. Evaluate the significance of Jewish monotheism in the religious history of early civilization.

DUE DATE: Friday September 15th