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**World History Pre/Post Assessment**

# 1. Which development *most* enabled early peoples to form permanent settlements?

1. advances in agriculture
2. the creation of democratic government
3. the spread of monotheism
4. advances in written language

**2. Hammurabi’s Code of ancient Mesopotamian society was important because it**

1. brought order to society with laws and punishments
2. explained how government officials were chosen.
3. established a single currency for use across the empire.
4. described how to perform formal religious ceremonies.

**3. Use the image below to answer the following question:**

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**The Egyptian structures seen above were constructed to**

1. practice religion ceremonies
2. give slaves a cheap place to live
3. used a palaces for Egyptian nobles
4. protect the tombs of the Pharaohs

## **4. Cuneiform and hieroglyphics were important achievements in the development of**

1. written language
2. religious beliefs
3. agricultural production
4. representative government

**5. What belief do the Jewish, Christian, and Muslim religions have in common?**

**A** Mecca

**B** monotheism

**C** Mosiac law

**D** belief that Jesus is the son of God

**6. The diaspora, the dispersing of the Jewish people refers to their**

1. effort to convert nonbelievers
2. collection of their sacred writings

**C**  exile from their homeland

**D**  opposition to the Crusades

**7. Greece’s mountainous terrain and its series of small islands influenced the Greeks to develop**

1. independent city-states
2. a common culture
3. a coin economy

D a strong military

**8. Ancient Greeks used myths about their gods *primarily* to**

1. strike fear in their enemies.
2. explain events in the natural world.
3. justify their type of government.
4. undermine the Persian religion.

**9. Archeologists study:**

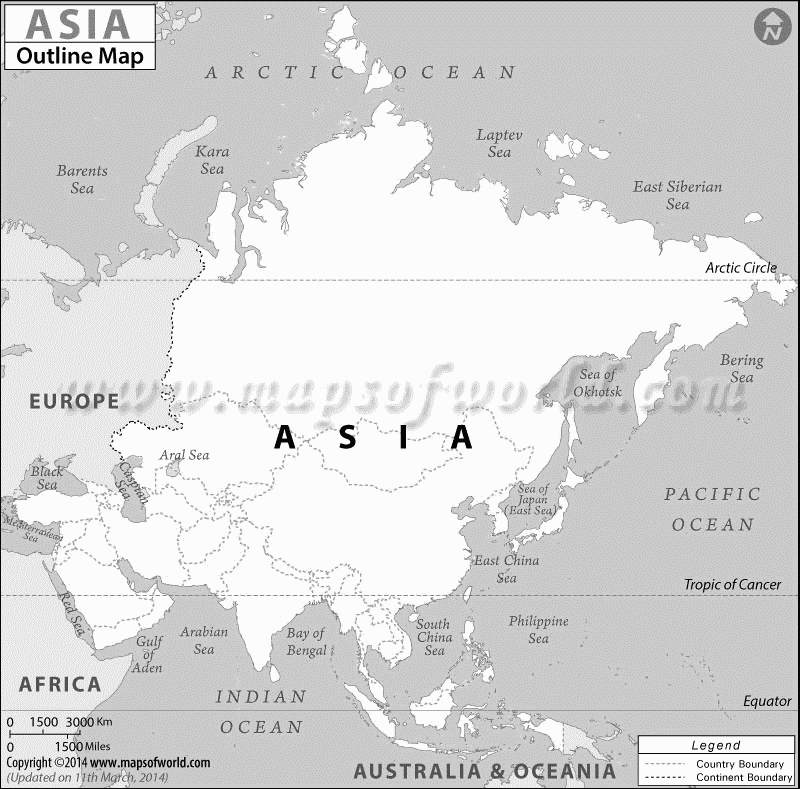
**A**. maps

**B**. artifacts

**C.** laws

**D.** buildings

**10. Use the map below to answer the following question:**



D

C

B

A

**Which letter on the map above was the location of the Indus River Valley civilization?**

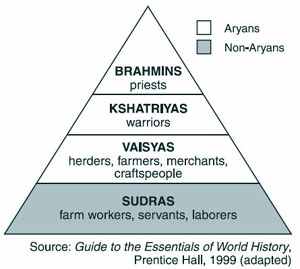
**A.** Location A

**B.** Location B

**C.** Location C

**D.** Location D

**11. Use the image below to answer parts A & B:**

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**A. This caste system was practiced by what ancient civilization?**

**A.** Egyptian

**B.** Babylonian

**C.** Mayan

**D.** Aryan

**B. Which statement about this caste system is accurate?**

1. Different castes shared the same rules for governing their behavior.
2. Foreigners were treated as members of the lowest caste.

**C**  People were required to stay in the same caste to which they were born.

**D**  Castes were encouraged to interact with one another.

**12. What was the main contribution of Emperor Shi Huangdi to China?**

1. He unified most of China under one government.
2. He established a public education system in China.
3. He required citizens to use the Mongol language.
4. He encouraged acceptance of the Hindu religion.

**13. What is the name of the river that flows through Egypt?**

**A.** Nile

**B.** Mediterranean

**C.** Red

**D.** Sahara

**14. What helped historians understand ancient Egyptian hieroglyphics?**

**A.** Rosetta Stone

**B.** King Tut’s tomb

**C.** algebra

**D.** studying sarcophagi

**15. In the 700s A.D., Arabian merchants played an important role in**

1. spreading new technology among Asia, Africa, and Europe.
2. converting large numbers of Western Europeans to Islam.
3. uniting most of Asia and Europe under a single religion.
4. stopping the invasions of nomadic people from Central Asia.

**16. What were the people who were paid to write for a living called?**

**A**. priests

**B.** merchants

**C.** law givers

**D.** scribes

**17. What is the best description of the relationship between the Mesopotamian city-states?**

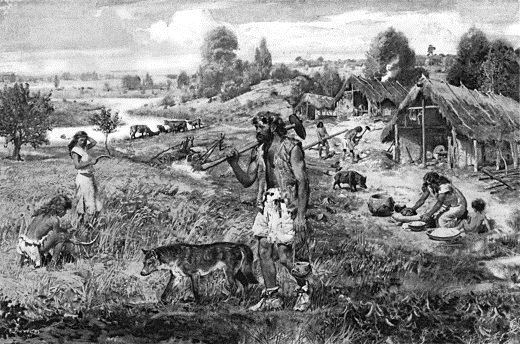
**A**. always fighting over land, power, and wealth

**B.** always ruled by a single leader

**C.** peaceful after the invention of writing

**D.** took turn voting for kings to rule

**18. Use the image below to answer the following question:**

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**This image illustrate which time period during the prehistoric Stone Ages**

**A.** Paleolithic

**B.** Mesolithic

**C.** Neolithic

**19. The system of levees and canals used to divert water to crops is called .**

**A.** irrigation

**B.** agriculture

**C.** specialization

**D.** ziggurats

**20. One of the great achievements of the Indus Valley civilization was**

**A.** number system

**B.** invention of the chariot.

**C.** iron technology.

**D.** plumbing and sewage system.

**21. In ancient Sparta, which activity was a defining feature of citizenship for men?**

**A.** paid taxes

**B.** attended religions events

**C.** attended political assemblies

**D.** fought in the military

**22. What is the best definition of karma?**

**A.** being reborn after you die

**B.** worship like prayer, hymns, or offerings

**C.** your actions have good or bad effects

**D.** going to heaven when you die

**23. People who move from place to place and have no permanent home are called**

**A.** artisans

**B.** nomads

**C.** yurts

**D.** laden

**24. The 5 MAJOR Inventions in Ancient China are...**

**A.** fireworks, silk, bronze, kites, watch

**B.** bronze, fireworks, cotton, silk, kites

**C.** fireworks, silk, bronze, kites, compass

**25. The Vedas are a**

**A.** mountain range in northern India.

**B.** nomadic herders in the Indus Valley

**C.** Aryan religious books

**D**. early inhabitants of India

**26. Use the image to help you answer the question below:**

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**The god of the sea, Poseidon, was worshipped in by which ancient culture?**

**A.** Sumerians

**B.** Greeks

**C.** Egyptians

**D.** Chinese

**27. Why were many people in ancient Greece traders or ship builders?**

**A.** it paid them well

**B.** Greece is located near the sea

**C.** they couldn't find other jobs

**D.** they wanted a large navy

**28. Democracy means government:**

**A.** By the people

**B.** By the king

**C.** By nobles

**D.** By the military

**29. When the river flooded in the Indus Valley, what valuable natural substance was left behind when the waters receded?**

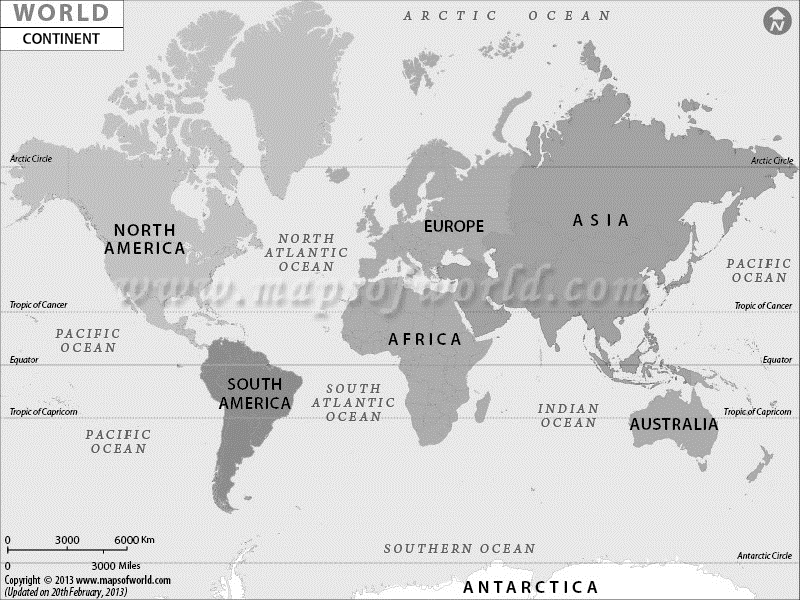
**A.** limestone

**B.** rocks

**C.** clay

**D.** silt

**30. Use the map to answer the following question:**

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**Which continents produced the first civilizations, first towns and first new ideas?**

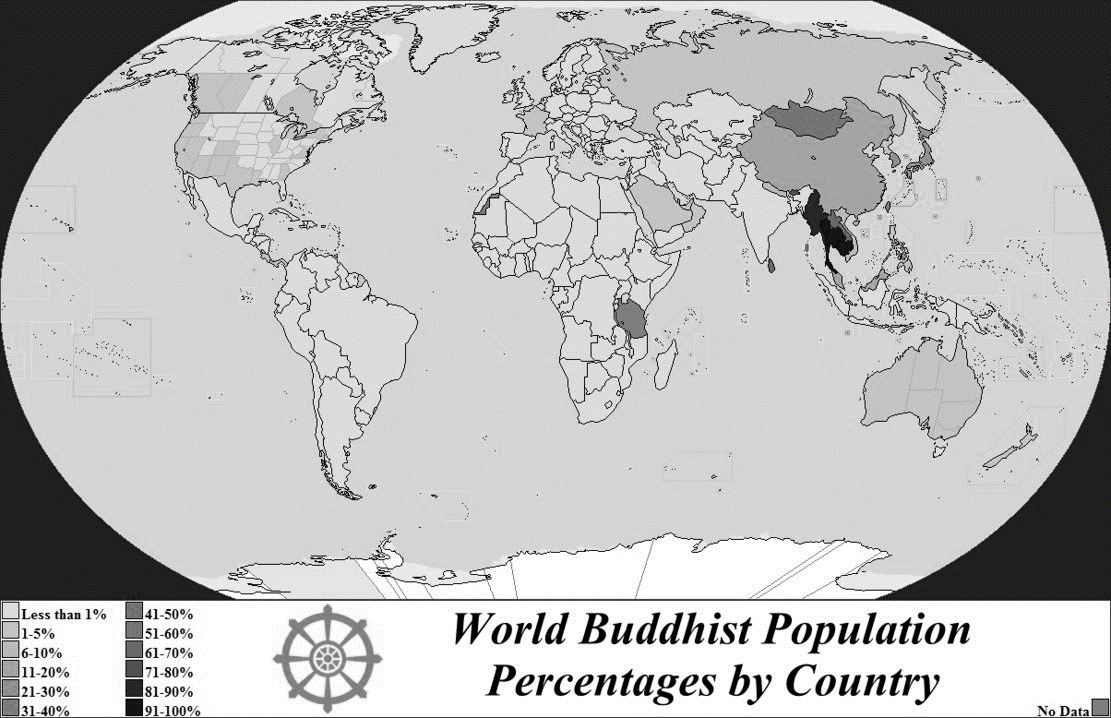
**A.** Europe and Antarctica

**B.** South America and North America

**C.** Africa and Asia

**D.** Europe and Russia

**31. Use the map below to answer the following question:**

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**Which major world religion would you most likely find in the circled region of the map above?**

**A.** Christianity

**B.** Judaism

**C.** Islam

**D.** Buddhism

**32. The Great Wall of China was built to —**

**A.** close China to foreign trade

**B.** provide a trade route across Asia

**C.** protect China from invaders

**D.** create a monument to Mongol rule

**33. Buddhists achieve enlightenment by following the —**

A. laws of the Old Testament

B. decrees of the Upanishads

C. Five Pillars

D. Eightfold Path

**34. Read the following quote and answer the question below:**

*“An Athenian citizen does not put private affairs before affairs of the state; even our merchants and businessmen know something about politics. We alone believe that a man who takes no interest in public affairs is more than harmless; he is useless.” –*Pericles

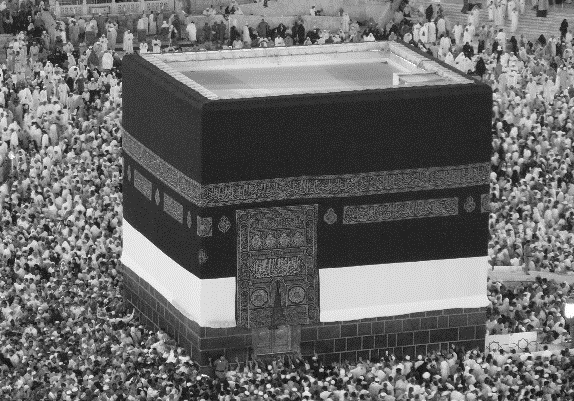
**In this quotation, Pericles describes Athenian society as valuing —**

A. military discipline

B. political duties

C. religious freedom

D. economic opportunity

**35. Which religion encourages its followers to make a pilgrimage to this site?**

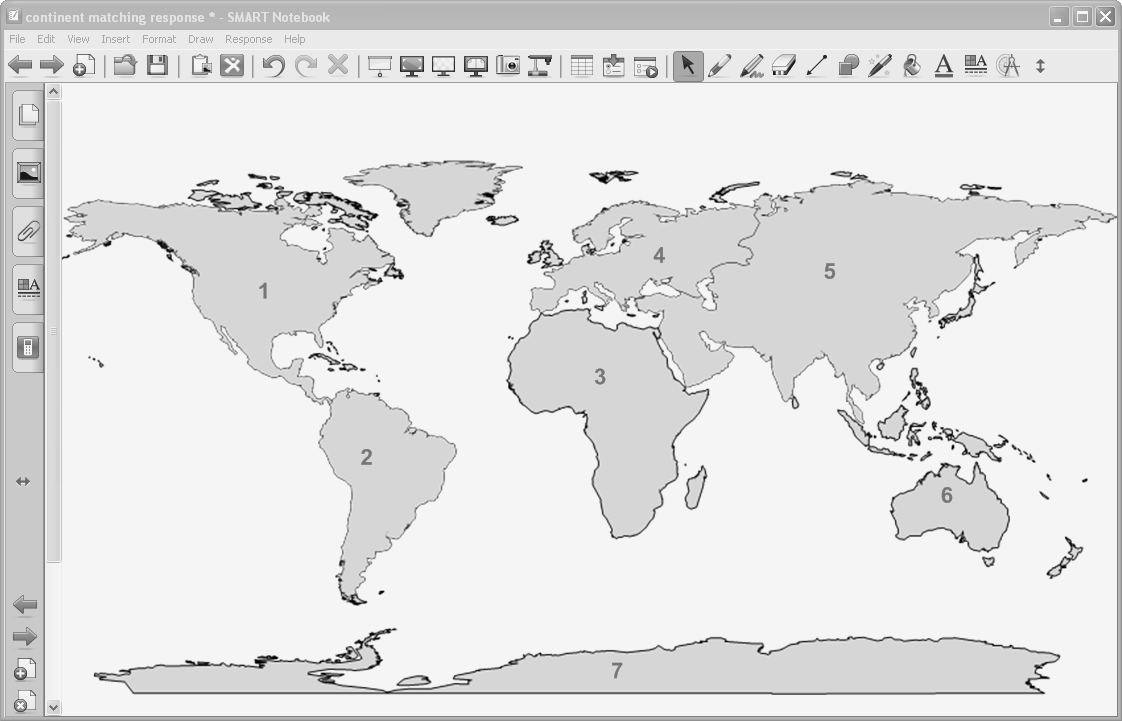
A. Islam

B. Hinduism

C. Buddhism

D. Christianity

**36. Use the map below to answer the following question:**



**Which number on this map represents the region where archaeologists believe the first humans appeared?**

**A.** 1

**B.** 2

**C.** 3

**D.** 4

**37. The Silk Road was important because it allowed for the**

**A.** exploration of China by the Roman Army

**B.** exchange of goods and ideas between Asia and the West

**C.** movement of Chinese armies through Southeast Asia

**D.** development of agriculture by the nomadic people of Central Asia

**38. Which text is a central document of Judaism?**

**A.** Analects

**B.** Koran (Qur’an)

**C.** Torah

**D.** Upanishads