

Key Concepts Buzzword Review

Period #1 – Technological & Environmental Transformations (FOUNDATIONS) 8000B.C.E. – 600B.C.E.

Paleolithic	Migration out of Africa / Pastoral Nomadism/ Hunter-Gatherers / Egalitarian
Neolithic Agricultural Revolution (Where?)	Mesopotamia (Grains) China (Rice) Mesoamerica (Corn)
Neolithic Agricultural Revolution (When?)	8000B.C.E. – 3500B.C.E.
Neolithic Agricultural Revolution (Why?)	Combo of Accidental / Observation WOMEN = Domestication of Plants
Neolithic Technological Innovations	Pottery / Plows / Woven Textiles / Wheels / Metallurgy (BRONZE)
Common Characteristics of RVC's	Centralized / Polytheistic / Patriarchal / Agriculture / Trade / Writing Systems / Monumental Architecture / Bureaucracy / Social Hierarchy
Mesopotamia (Tigris / Euphrates)	Ziggurats / Hammurabi's Code / Cuneiform / Sumer / Babylon
Egypt (Nile)	Hieroglyphics / Pharaohs / Pyramids / Female leaders (Hatshepsut) / Trade w/ Mesopotamia (pottery) , Indus (textiles) , & Nubia (gold)
Indus (Indus)	Sewage & Water Systems / Grid pattern layout/ Aryans invaded = Vedic religion / Mohenjo-Daro / Harappa
Huang He (Yellow)	Shang Dynasty / Porcelain / Silk / Bronze
Zhou Dynasty	Mandate of Heaven / Feudal
Hittites	IRON Weapons – conquered Babylon / Defeated by Assyrians
Olmec (Mesoamerica)	Corns, Beans, & Squash / Irrigation / No outside contact / No river / Predecessor of Aztec
Chavin (Andes)	Quipu / Llamas / No outside contact / No river / Predecessor of Inca

Hebrews	Monotheistic/ Judaism / 10 commandments / Abraham / Israelites / Diaspora (spread)
Zoroastrianism	Monotheistic (Azura Mazda) / Good v. Evil / Persian (Iran)
Vedic Religions	India / Aryans / Predecessor to Hinduism
Bantu Migration	Left W. Africa spread to S. & E. Africa / Language (Swahili) / Fishing