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Class Period: \_\_\_\_\_

Due Date: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH

# Key Ideas: Prologue

**Directions:** Answer the questions below as you read the Prologue portion of the textbook. You do not need to AND should not answer the questions in sentences. The responses should be in YOUR OWN WORDS. The purpose of key ideas is to *take notes* that you can easily use as a study guide for quizzes and tests. There will **NOT** be a quiz on this material. This assignment will be graded and is Due on MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH. This assignment is worth 20 AT points.

## ***Part 1: 8000 CE-600 BCE***

### **Beginning of Civilizations (xii-xliii)**

1. Describe the early Modern humans and their societies? (Think: Political, Social, Economic)

Social	Political	Economic	Culture

2. What are some of the assumptions about the **impetus** of human migrations Prior to 10,000 BCE?

3. What were the causes and effects of the Agricultural revolution?

4. Next to civilizations below, list their achievements/ advances.

*Mesopotamia-*

*Egypt-*

*India-*

*China-*

*Non-River Valley Civilization-*

**Early Religions (xliv)**

5. What was the origin of Hinduism?

6. What were the main concepts contained in the Vedas?

7. What were the main beliefs of Zoroastrianism and where did it originate?

8. What was Abraham's role in Judaism and what were the basic beliefs?

9. Which other religions stemmed from Judaism?

***Part 2: The Classical Era 600 BCE-600 CE***

10. How were the beliefs of Buddhism similar to that of Hinduism? In which ways do they differ? How does it differ from Hinduism/Buddhism?

Hindu Beliefs	Similarities Between Hinduism/Buddhism	Buddhist Beliefs

12. What was the impact of the spread of Buddhism?

13. Who was Asoka and what impact did he have on India?

14. What was the unifying factor in the Mauryan Empire?

15. What is the Mandate of Heaven and how did it legitimize the Dynastic System in Early China?

16. What type of impact did Confucianism have on the people of China (think InSPECT)? Explain.

17. How did Confucianism differ from other religions/philosophies from the Middle East and the Indian Subcontinent. (Think about the beliefs, role society/government)

Confucian Beliefs	Differences Between Hinduism & Confucianism	Differences Between Islam & Confucianism

18. What were the advances of the Qin and Han Empires?

19. What were the achievements of the Persian Empire?

20. In what ways did the Greek empire differ from the Persians?

21. Compare the Spartans to the Athenians (Remember: similarity and differences)

Athenian Society	Similarities Between Athenian & Spartan Society	Spartan Society

22. What were the highlights of the Roman legal system? What were the limitations?

23. What were the problems that led to the decline of the Roman Empire?

24. What role did Christianity play in the Roman Empire? Why did it spread so quickly?

25. How did the Byzantine Empire rise? Why was it more successful than that of the Western Roman?

26. Why was Teotihuacan significant?

27. Describe the structure and achievements of the Mayan Empire?

28. What were the early trade networks of the Classical Period?

29. What factors led to the decline of the Classical Empires?

***Part 3: Post Classical Civilizations 600 CE-1200 CE***

30. Where did Islam originate and why did it spread so quickly?

31. What are the basic beliefs of Islam?

32. What led to the Sunni/Shia rift?

33. What is Dar-al-Islam?

34. Why was the Abbasid empire wealthy?

35. What was the role of Women under the Abbasid leadership?

36. What were the achievements of the Sui and Tang Dynasties in China? How did the philosophy of Confucianism change under the Song?

37. Describe the Political and cultural structures of Japan?

38. What are kinship societal structures and how do they differ from other empires of the Post Classical Era?

39. What is the significance of the Bantu migrations?

40. In what way was the role of Christianity in Post-Classical Europe similar to that of Hinduism in India?