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Review Quiz: Chapter 1 & 2 – Early Humans and Civilizations

Part I. Definitions. Please define each of the following terms.

1. Artifacts –
2. Hominids –
3. Paleolithic Age –
4. Domestication –
5. Artisans –
6. Mesopotamia –
7. Polytheistic –
8. City states –
9. Pastoral nomads –
10. Indo-Europeans –

Part II. Compare and Contrast. For each word pair, describe what makes them the same with a clear similarity. Then describe what makes them different with a clear difference.

11. Archaeology & Anthropology:

12. Theocracy & Monarchy:

13. Cultural Diffusion & Innovation:

Part III. Main Ideas. Please answer each of the following questions providing appropriate details and examples.

14. The Neolithic Age saw a dramatic change in human behavior and society. Discuss at least two major advancements during this period and how those advancements helped bring about civilization.

15. What are the six characteristics of human civilization?

16. How did physical geography help humans develop into civilized society? In other words, where did civilizations develop and why?

17. How and why did religion develop as humans became civilized? Discuss at least two main reasons.

18. How did nomads (e.g., Indo-Europeans) and people that traveled and traded help civilizations advance? Give at least two examples.

19. Choose two of the following civilizations (Sumerians, Egyptians, Assyrians, Persians, Israelites, and Phoenicians) and explain their contribution to civilization today. Give at least two examples for each civilization and how those contributions are evidenced today.

Civilization #1:

Civilizations #2:

Part IV. Timeline. Please create a very simple timeline and place the following events in order of their occurrence. Be sure to include a title for your timeline.

- Israelites develop monotheism
- Sumerians develop writing
- Egyptians build the great Pyramids
- Australopithecus lives in East Africa
- Phoenicians develop alphabet
- Humans start to build towns or settlements
- Persians create vast empire
- Homo Sapiens appears and spreads
- Assyrians conquer with iron weapons
- Humans learn to farm and domesticate