Early Societies of Mesopotamia, Egypt, or the Indus Valley

Students will...

8.2.1 Overview of Early Civilizations

8-GI-036 Identify defining characteristics of societies in Mesopotamia, Egypt, the Indus Valley, and China from 3500 to 500 BCE.

8-VH-009 Appreciate the historical significance of early societies.

Examples: adaptations for survival, enduring human aspirations, origins of social and political structures...

8.2.2 Interaction with the Natural Environment

8-AL-023 Locate on a map the major landforms, bodies of water, and population clusters of a society of Mesopotamia, Egypt, or the Indus Valley.

8-AL-024 Give examples of the influence of the natural environment on ways of life in an early society of Mesopotamia, Egypt, or the Indus Valley.

8-Z-054 Describe technologies and tools in an early society of Mesopotamia, Egypt, or the Indus Valley.

Examples: animal and crop domestication, irrigation, construction, weapons, transportation...

8-VE-017 Appreciate the ideas and technologies of early societies.

8.2.3 Living in an Early Society

8-AS-031 Describe life for various groups in an early society of Mesopotamia, Egypt, or the Indus Valley.

Examples: priests, scribes, traders, peasants, slaves...

8-UN-028 Identify people, events, and ideas in an early society of Mesopotamia, Egypt, or the Indus Valley.

8-UP-045 Describe governance in an early society of Mesopotamia, Egypt, or the Indus Valley.

Examples: military organization, political structures...

8.2.4 Communication and Art in an Early Society

8-AG-014 Describe the art, architecture, and science of an early society of Mesopotamia, Egypt, or the Indus Valley.

8-AG-015 Describe the impact and significance of the development of writing in an early society of Mesopotamia, Egypt, or the Indus Valley.

8-VH-010 Value the study of early societies as a way of understanding contemporary life.