Grade 6 - Mesopotamia KUD Chart | What you should know, understand, and be able to do by the end of the unit

Know

Rivers and River Systems

This vocabulary is defined on the "What is a River System?" paper in your binder (also Moodle), and you used it to make a diagram of a river system formative (which should again be in your binder with my feedback).

River source Meander River mouth Downstream Tributary Upstream Watershed Wetlands

Main river Floodplain

Geography Skills

You ought to have mastered the following vocabulary as part of our daily geography practice. All daily geography practice sheets (with mistakes corrected and no blanks!) should be in your binder.

Cartographer Parallels Absolute location Geographic grid Projection Relative Location

Coordinates Mental Map Eurasia

Meridians

Rise of Sumerian City-States

This vocabulary was used in our class group activity, when you learned how responses to geographic challenges led to Sumerian city-states. You also completed a flow-chart formative on this topic (now on Moodle). Both the notes and formative should be in your binder. Also see "Reading - Rise of Sumerian City-States" on Moodle.

Mesopotamia Sumer Silt
Tigris River Irrigation City-State

Euphrates River Levee

Ancient Sumer

This vocabulary was learned during our stations activity in class when you analyzed Sumerian artifacts (images now on Moodle) to determine if they were a civilization. You also completed a formative on this topic, arguing that your own country was a civilization. Both the notes and formative should be in your binder. Also see "Reading – Ancient Sumer" on Moodle.

Civilization Merchant Culture Social structure Scribe Cuneiform

Technology Ziggurat

Four Empires of Mesopotamia

You learned this vocabulary related to the important achievements of 4 Mesopotamian empires in class through a PowerPoint presentation (now on Moodle). You also completed a formative in which you made a set of trading cards for the Mesopotamian empires, ranking the strengths and weaknesses of each. Also see "Reading - 4 Empires of Mesopotamia File" on Moodle.

EmpireTributeEconomyCapitalCode of lawsSiege

UNDERSTAND

Over the past weeks, your goal was to build a solid understanding of certain big ideas related to Mesopotamia. Prove that you have met your learning goals by being able to intelligently answer the questions below, using related vocabulary from the lists in the "know" column of this chart.

What are the parts of a river system and how can rivers both help and harm people that settle near them?

How did geographic challenges lead to the rise of city-states in Mesopotamia?

What are seven characteristics that many civilizations have in common?

Why do historians classify ancient Sumer as a civilization?

What were the most important achievements of the Mesopotamian empires?

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In addition, questions on the test will require you to demonstrate these skills:

- ✓ Locate places on a geographic grid by giving their absolute locations in coordinates
- ✓ Label the continents and oceans on a world map
- ✓ Locate Mesopotamia on a world map
- ✓ Label the parts of a river system