

Mesopotamia Video Viewing guide

1. What are the three great civilizations of the ancient world?
2. Ancient Mesopotamia lies in present-day _____.
 - A. Mesoamerica
 - B. Israel
 - C. Iraq
 - D. India
3. In 1947, Bedouin shepherds in present-day Israel discovered _____, which dated to the time of Christ.
 - A. The Dead Sea Scrolls
 - B. The Grateful Dead
 - C. The Great Library at Nineveh
 - D. The Garden of Eden
4. The Dead Sea Scrolls are a collection of scrolls which contain some of the earliest writings in the world, the _____.
5. In 586 B.C., the armies of Nebuchadnezzar sacked Jerusalem and took the Israelites captive. The first five books of the Old Testament Bible are called _____ by the Jews. The bible first became a written document while the Jews were in exile in _____ in order to preserve the culture of the Jews.
6. _____ was the first civilization to have a written code of law and it was created under and named after _____, who was their ruler.
7. How was ancient Assyria described in the Bible?
 - A. "A land that never bathed."
 - B. "A land bathed in blood."
 - C. "A land of blood donors."
 - D. "A land of big, strong men who liked to fight a lot."
8. Absolute power is complete and total rule and it is kept by the use of _____.
9. The Great Library at Nineveh, part of the ancient Assyrian palace complex, contained about 22,000 clay tablets written in _____.
 - A. Cuneiform
 - B. Maidenform
 - C. Hieroglyphics
 - D. Greek

10. The capital city of Assyria is _____.
11. The world's first story, *The Epic of Gilgamesh*, is about an ancient Sumerian hero and describes a _____ similar to one mentioned in the Bible.
- A. Crucifixion
 - B. Flood
 - C. Ten Commandments
 - D. Coat of many colors
12. In *The Epic of Gilgamesh*, Dilmun is referred to as a Mesopotamian equivalent of _____.
- A. hell
 - B. The Garden of Eden
 - C. Jerusalem
 - D. The Tower of Babel
13. Which ancient site has been referred to as the "first civilization on earth"?
- A. Sumer
 - B. Assyria
 - C. Babylon
 - D. Jerusalem
14. Sir Leonard Woolley discovered the _____, which contained 74 skeletons, all entombed at the same time.
- A. Ziggurat of King Urnammu at Ur.
 - B. Royal Tombs or Grave Pits of Ur
 - C. Pyramids at Giza
 - D. Citadel of Sargon II
15. What are some of the things the Sumerians are known for?
16. A temple or _____ was the center of Sumerian civilization.
17. The present-day island of _____, south of the ancient city of Ur, was once an "Eden-like" place with plenty of water, lush gardens, and snakes.
- A. Hawaii
 - B. Tahiti
 - C. England
 - D. Bahrain