

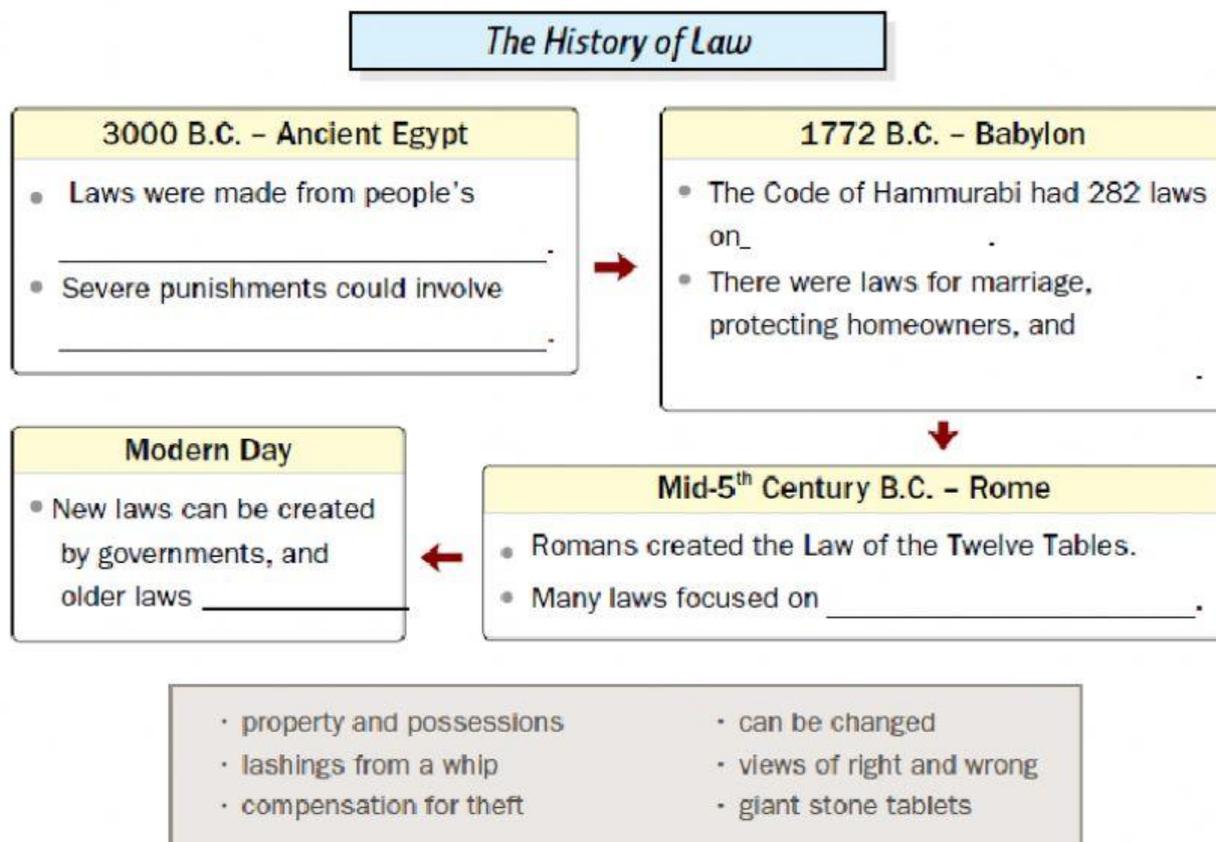


# Reading Comprehension

1. **Main Idea** What is the passage mainly about?
  - a. who wrote down laws in ancient Rome
  - b. why today's laws are the same as ancient laws
  - c. how laws have changed since ancient times
  - d. how ancient punishments were better than modern punishments
  
2. **Purpose** The main purpose of the second paragraph is to
  - a. introduce Egyptian family laws
  - b. explain how laws were used in ancient Egypt
  - c. discuss how Egyptian laws were written
  - d. show which Egyptian laws still exist today
  
3. **Vocabulary** The word **entire** in the passage is closest in meaning to
  - a. limited
  - b. whole
  - c. possible
  - d. huge
  
4. **Detail** When was the Law of the Twelve Tables written?
  - a. before 3000 B.C.
  - b. in 1772 B.C.
  - c. in the mid-5<sup>th</sup> century B.C.
  - d. in the 20<sup>th</sup> century
  
5. **Detail** Which is NOT true about ancient Roman laws?
  - a. The Law of the Twelve Tables was the Romans' first legal text.
  - b. Many laws were about how people interacted.
  - c. Modern lawyers are influenced by Roman laws.
  - d. Ancient Roman laws were not very concerned with property.
  
6. **Inference** What can be inferred about the punishments for breaking laws in ancient Egypt?
  - a. They varied based on the law broken.
  - b. Stealing something was the most serious crime.
  - c. The punishment was chosen by the guilty person.
  - d. The family of the victim picked the punishment.
  
7. What were ancient Egyptian laws based on?
  
8. What phrase do we get from Babylonian law?
  
9. What is an example of a law that was changed?

# Graphic Organizer & Summary

**Step 1** Fill in the blanks to best describe the main text.



## Vocabulary Test

[1-3] Choose the best words to fill in the blanks.

- If you had \_\_\_\_\_, you wouldn't cross the street on a red light.  
a. common sense    b. humor    c. permission    d. owner
- It is the job of the police to \_\_\_\_\_ the law.  
a. relate    b. bury    c. emphasize    d. enforce
- Because the flight has been delayed, the airline has to give \_\_\_\_\_ to the passengers.  
a. discovery    b. strategy    c. change    d. compensation

[4-6] Choose the words with similar meanings to the underlined words.

- Taking someone to court over a noisy dog is a civil matter, not a criminal one.  
a. beneficial    b. national    c. dangerous    d. personal
- Laws are similar in most countries, but the punishments can be very different.  
a. barriers    b. penalties    c. prizes    d. opportunities
- The students learned how ancient Egyptians interacted with each other when trading at the market.  
a. communicated    b. encouraged    c. judged    d. ignored