



Ancient River Civilizations – Open-Note Quiz

Part A: Multiple Choice (Circle the best answer) – 8 questions

1. What was the writing system developed in Mesopotamia?
 - A. Sanskrit
 - B. Hieroglyphics
 - C. Cuneiform
 - D. Oracle bones

2. Which river was most important to Ancient Egypt?
 - A. Yellow River
 - B. Indus River
 - C. Tigris River
 - D. Nile River

3. In Ancient India, what was the highest caste group?
 - A. Farmers and traders
 - B. Laborers and servants
 - C. Religious leaders, warriors, rulers
 - D. Craftsmen and artisans

4. Which structure is most closely linked with Ancient China?
 - A. Ziggurats
 - B. Pyramids of Giza
 - C. Great Wall of China
 - D. Stupas

5. Who was known as the boy-king of Ancient Egypt?
 - A. Sargon
 - B. Tutankhamun (King Tut)
 - C. Wu Ti
 - D. Hammurabi

6. The Mesopotamian king who created a code of laws was:
 - A. Hammurabi
 - B. Nebuchadnezzar
 - C. Ur-Nammu

D. Gilgamesh

7. Ancient China's writing system used over _____ characters.
 - A. 26
 - B. 1,000
 - C. 65,000
 - D. 500

8. Ancient India's language and writing system was called:
 - A. Sanskrit
 - B. Cuneiform
 - C. Hieroglyphics
 - D. Pictographs

Part B: Short Answer – 8 questions

9. Name two famous pharaohs of Ancient Egypt.

10. What two rivers surrounded Mesopotamia?

11. What was one scientific or artistic achievement of the Indus River Civilization?

12. How did the Egyptians write down their language?

13. Who was Gilgamesh, and why is he remembered?

14. Describe one way the Chinese communicated with their gods.

15. What is reincarnation, a belief in Ancient India?

16. Why was farming so important in Ancient China?

Part C: Matching – 4 questions

Match the civilization with the correct city, structure, or person.

17. _____ Indus River (Ancient India)

18. ___ Mesopotamia

19. ___ Ancient Egypt

20. ___ Ancient China

Choices:

- A. Great Wall of China
- B. Sanchi, Pataliputra, Tamralipta
- C. King Tut's Tomb
- D. City of Ur