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TEST QUESTIONS—Chapter 1

1. Two rivers enabled Sumerian agriculture and its civilization, the Tigris and the
   a) Danube.
   b) Nile.
   c) Jordan.
   d) Euphrates.

   Answer: D

   (see page 6)

2. Early agriculturalists were mostly men.
   a) True
   b) False

   Answer: False

   (see page 7)

3. Bronze appeared by:
   a) 2000 BCE
   b) 4000 BCE
   c) 7000 BCE
   d) 500 CE

   Answer: B

   (see page 7)

4. Humanity's relationship with the gods, according to early Mesopotamian religion, can best be described as
   a) humans exist to serve the gods.
   b) the gods created humans as entertainment.
   c) humans exist to choose between good and evil.
   d) humans exist to fight the gods.

   Answer: A

   (see page 18)

5. Secular and religious power in Mesopotamia was represented by the two offices of _____and _____, which emerged together.

   Answer: kings, priests

   (see page 9)

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6. Enlil was
   a) the first king.
   b) a river in Sumer.
   c) a priestess.
   d) the sky god.

Answer: D

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7. The myth of the _____ represented a fear of real events for Sumerians.

Answer: Great Flood

(see page 10)

8. Writing was a tightly held monopoly by professional scribes in Sumer.
   a) True
   b) False

Answer: True

(see p.15)

9. What group conquered the Sumerian city-states around 2350 BCE?
   a) Egyptians
   b) Sea People
   c) Akkadians
   d) Indians

Answer: C

(see p.10)

10. Sargon's conquered territory was linked together in an early form of _____.

Answer: empire

(see p.10)

11. Sargon grew wealthy from combining Sumer's agriculture with
   a) trade.
   b) diplomacy.
   c) exploration.
   d) metallurgy.

Answer: A

(see p.10)

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12. The Akkadian Empire was the first example of the importance of the connections between which two regions?
    a) Europe and America
    b) Central Asia and the Mediterranean
    c) the Indian Ocean and the Mediterranean
    d) Africa and Europe

    Answer: B

    (see p.10)

13. The Nile Delta forms the region known as "Lower Egypt?"
    a) True
    b) False

    Answer: True

    (see p.25)

14. _____developed the system of dynasties used to delineate Egyptian kings.

    Answer: Menes or Narmer

    (see p.26)

15. The Egyptians may have acquired writing from what civilization?
    a) the Sumerians
    b) the Old Kingdom
    c) the Akkadians
    d) the Babylonians

    Answer: A

    (see p.29)

16. "Nomes" were
    a) rulers.
    b) priests.
    c) regions.
    d) gods.

    Answer: C

    (see p.32)

17. The capital city of Old Kingdom Egypt was
    a) Memphis.
    b) Cairo.
    c) Aswan.
    d) Alexandria.

    Answer: A

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(see p.32)

18. Egypt was a wealthy civilization because
    a) they had extensive gold mines.
    b) they had easy access to slaves from sub-Saharan Africa.
    c) the regular flooding of the Nile made the land fertile.
    d) the gods decreed it.

Answer: C

(see p.26)

19. Religion in ancient Egypt had little to do with ethics.
    a) True
    b) False

Answer: True

(see p.37)

20. Which of the following civilizations spoke an Indo-European language?
    a) Egyptians.
    b) Hebrews.
    c) Hittites.
    d) Assyrians.

Answer: C

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TEST QUESTIONS—CHAPTER 2

1. The Hebrew Bible was written over
   a) Abraham's lifetime.
   b) a century.
   c) a thousand years.
   b) three hundred years.

   Answer: C

   (see p.58)

2. Torah means
   a) instructions.
   b) God's Book.
   c) the Way.
   d) the Life.

   Answer: A

   (see p.58)

3. Which king developed a Hebrew state by building a capital city and developing a political bureaucracy?
   a) Abraham
   b) David
   c) Cyrus
   d) Solomon

   Answer: B

4. The Hebrew Bible is a reliable historical source.
   a) True
   b) False

   Answer: B

   (see p.60)

5. How many authors does the Documentary Hypothesis agree that the Hebrew Bible had?
   a) three
   b) five
   c) one
   d) four

   Answer: D

   (see p.61)

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6. The idea that the Hebrew texts result from the intertwining of several writers work is known as the _____.

Answer: Documentary Hypothesis

(see p.61)

7. According to archaeological evidence, the Hebrews began to move into Palestine around
   a) 2500 bce.
   b) 1200 BCE.
   c) 100 CE.
   d) 1000 CE.

Answer: B

(see p.62)

8. The Judges held both political and religious authority.
   a) True
   b) False

Answer: A

(see p.63)

9. _____established Jerusalem as the capital city.

Answer: David

(see p.64)

10. The reigns of which two kings represent a Golden Age in Jewish history?
    a) David and Solomon
    b) Jesus and David
    c) Nebuchadnezzar and Cyrus
    d) Isaac and Moses

Answer: A

(see p.67)

11. Jewish law gave its women more social autonomy than most ancient societies.
    a) True
    b) False

Answer: A

(see p.69)

12. _____ enjoins Hebrews to honor their mothers and fathers equally.

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Answer: fifth commandment

(see p.70)

13. The Torah praises celibacy.
    a) True
    b) False

Answer: B

(see p.72)

14. The Jews conflated _____and _____to a degree that they could not be separated, which was a revolutionary development in Western life.

Answer: faith, morals

(see p.73)

15. The Jews' captivity in Babylon drove the Jews to
    a) military action.
    b) persecution of non-Jews.
    c) new engineering inventions.
    d) stricter observance of the Torah.

Answer: D

(see p.75)

16. "Rabbi" Means "Lord."
    a) True
    b) False

Answer: B

(see p.75)

17. Who released the Jews from bondage in Babylon?
    a) King Solomon
    b) Cyrus the Great
    c) Saul
    d) YHWH

Answer: B

(see p.75)

18. Ezra and Nehemiah were _____.
    a) Prophets
    b) Priests

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c) Kings
d) Generals

Answer: A

(see p.75)

19. Ahura Mazda was the one true god of the
a) Babylonians.
b) Persians.
c) Hittites.
d) Phoenicians.

Answer: B

(see p.83)

20. The Zoroastrian holy book is called the _____.
a) Persian Bible
b) Vedas
c) Qur'an
d) Avesta

Answer: D

(see p.83)

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TEST QUESTIONS—CHAPTER 3

1. The first Greek culture arose in the Aegean around
   a) 1000 CE.
   b) 100 BCE.
   c) 2000 BCE.
   d) 1600 BCE.

Answer: D

(see p.90)

2. Greek gods inhabited Mount_____.

Answer: Olympus

(see p.90)

3. The early Greeks prospered thanks to
   a) fishing.
   b) trade.
   c) farming.
   d) luck.

Answer: B

(see p.91)

4. Sailing through the Aegean was easy at any time of year.
   a) True
   b) False

Answer: A

(see p.91)

5. Minoan culture lasted from 2000 BCE to
   a) 1500 BCE.
   b) 1800 BCE.
   c) 1000 BCE.
   d) 100 BCE.

Answer: A

(see p.92)

6. Trading culture on Crete predated the arrival of the Mycenaeans.
   a) True
   b) False

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Answer: A

(see p.93)

7. The years from 1600 BCE to 1200 BCE are known as the _____ Age.

Answer: Mycenaean

(see p.94)

8. The Mycenaeans were _____.
   a) peaceful.
   b) poor.
   c) militaristic.
   d) disorganized.

Answer: C

(see p.94)

9. _____was the author of the *Iliad*.

Answer: Homer

(see p.96)

10. The *Iliad* lauds the glories of which civilization?
    a) Persian
    b) Mycenaean
    c) Athenian
    d) Egyptian

Answer: B

(see p.96)

11. Homer's poems describe the Mycenaean past accurately.
    a) True
    b) False

Answer: B

(see p.96)

12. The Mycenaean Age was followed by the _____.

Answer: Dark Age

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13. During the Dark Age, Greek communities began to refer to themselves as _____.

Answer: poleis

(see p.99)

14. The Greek Dark Age gave way to the
    a) New era.
    b) Greek empire.
    c) Archaic period.
    d) Hellenic era.

Answer: C

(see p.99)

15. Women were expected to be monogamous.
    a) True
    b) False

Answer: A

(see p.103)

16. Sparta's men specialized in warfare to
    a) defeat other poleis.
    b) defend against the Persians.
    c) prevent tyrants from taking over.
    d) prevent a slave revolt.

Answer: D

(see p.106)

17. In Greece, a person who seized power temporarily was a _____.

Answer: tyrant

(see p.111)

18. The Athenian democracy was created by

    a) Pisistratos.
    b) Cleisthenes.
    c) Themistocles.
    d) Leonidas.

Answer: B

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(see p.112)

19. Greek democracy was fully democratic in the modern sense.
    a) True
    b) False

Answer: B

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20. The Ionian League revolted against _____ in 502 BCE.

Answer: Persia

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TEST QUESTIONS—CHAPTER 4

1. The start of the Persian wars and the end of the Peloponnesian war marks the
   a) Dark Ages.
   b) Classical Age.
   c) Archaic period.
   d) Hellenic era.

Answer: B

(see p.119)

2. The Greek alliance to defend against the Persians was known as the _____.

Answer: Delian League

(see p.120)

3. Wine was always drunk undiluted.
   a) True
   b) False

Answer: B

(see p.124)

4. The woman's zone was known as the gynaeceum.

   a) True
   b) False

Answer: A

(see p.125)

5. Greek religion during the Classical Era was _____
   a) highly emotional
   b) based on barter
   c) doused on ritual
   d) basically nonexistent

Answer: B

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6. Tragedy's origins likely lie in the worship of which god?

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a) Zeus
b) Dionysus
c) Demeter
d) Hera

Answer: B

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7. The Greek cardinal sin, often translated as excessive pride, is _____

Answer: hubris

(see p.129)

8. Sophocles authored a famous retelling of which myth?
a) Jason and the Argonauts
b) The Odyssey
c) Oedipus
d) Isis and Osiris

Answer: C

(see p.129)

9. Hubris is erotic love.
a) True
b) False

Answer: B

(see p.129)

10. The Peloponnesian War lasted from
a) 100–94 BCE
b) 431–404 BCE
c) 100–103 CE
d) 603–592 BCE

Answer: B

(see p.131)

11. Alcibiades was originally a native of _____.

Answer: Athens

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12. Which city state defeated Athens in the Peloponnesian War?
    a) Miletus
    b) Sparta
    c) Ithaca
    d) Ephesus

Answer: B

(see p.133)

13. Who wrote the *History of the Persian Wars*?
    a) Herodotus
    b) Thucydides
    c) Aeschylus
    d) Plato

Answer: A

(see p.134)

14. The _____oath marked the onset of new physicians' careers.

Answer: Hippocratic

(see p.136)

15. Which philosopher believed that humans were meant to strive for happiness?
    a) Socrates
    b) Plato
    c) Aristotle
    d) Solon

Answer: C

(see p.143

16. _____thought that our world was a pallid reflection of the world of Ideal Forms.

Answer: Plato

(see p.142)

17. Alexander the Great was from Greece.
    a) True
    b) False

Answer: B

(see p.146)

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18. Alexander's conquest extended as far east as _____.

Answer: India

(see p.147)

19. The Hellenistic era describes a period of time that saw
    a) the extension and imitation of Greek culture throughout the Near East.
    b) the absence of autocratic power for nearly three centuries.
    c) the disappearance of a Greek cultural legacy.
    d) the disappearance of Greek religious beliefs and practices.

Answer: A

(see p.149)

20. The Maccabean revolt was directed against
    a) Alexander the Great.
    b) the Seleucid leaders of Jerusalem.
    c) the Babylonian king.
    d) the Persian empire.

Answer: B

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