***Western Heritage***



***Unit: Ancient River Valley Civilizations***

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| **Key Learning** | **Unit Essential Question** |
| Early River Valley civilizations laid the foundations for the development of culture in the Ancient World. | What patterns of cultural contributions exist through early civilization development? |

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| **Concept:****Mesopotamia** | **Concept:****Egypt** | **Concept:****Canaanite Cultures** |
| ***LEQ/Understand*** | ***LEQ/Understand*** | ***LEQ/Understand*** |
| Why did the earliest civilizations develop in Mesopotamia?What are the major cultural characteristics and contributions of the Ancient Mesopotamians?Why did the Mesopotamian civilizations decline? | What are the major cultural characteristics and contributions of the Ancient Egyptians?Why did the Egyptian civilization decline? | What are the major cultural characteristics and contributions of the Canaanite cultures?How did the creation of monotheism change the course of world history? |
| ***Vocab/Know*** | ***Vocab/Know*** | ***Vocab/Know*** |
| City-stateZigguratCuneiformEmpireReformMesopotamiaPolytheism | DeltaCataractPharaohHieroglyphicsScribesPapyrusDynastyRosetta Stone | TreatyColoniesMonotheismNomadsCovenantExodusProphetSocial Justice |
| ***Do*** | ***Do*** | ***Do*** |
| * Identify cause-effect relationships.
* Analyze the significance of groups and individuals who made cultural contributions.
* Analyze the geographic features of historic places.
* Compare and contrast chronological relationships between Ancient Civilizations.
* Summarize key details from primary source documents.
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| **Concept:****Military Empires** |
| ***LEQ/Understand*** |
| What are the major cultural characteristics and contributions of the Ancient Military Civilizations?Why were the Ancient Military Civilizations so successful at conquering territory? |
| ***Vocab/Know*** |
| SmeltingProvincesCaravansSatrapSatrapies |
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