

## Chapter 5 Worksheet

### Multiple Choice

Identify the choice that best completes the statement or answers the question.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. The world's first civilization was called  
a. Mesopotamia. c. Assyria.  
b. Babylon. d. Sumer.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Most of Phoenicia was located in present day  
a. Turkey. c. Iraq.  
b. Syria. d. Lebanon.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. A Phoenician colony was  
a. Tyre. c. Babylon.  
b. Carthage. d. Kish.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. The Akkadian emperor who ruled for 50 years was  
a. Hammurabi. c. Gilgamesh.  
b. Sargon d. Enheduanna.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Which of the following lists the Sumerian social classes in order of importance?  
a. kings, craftspeople and merchants, priests, laborers, slaves  
b. priests, kings, craftspeople and merchants, slaves, laborers  
c. priests, kings, laborers, craftspeople and merchants, slaves  
d. kings, priests, craftspeople and merchants, laborers, slaves

### Completion

Complete each statement.

6. The army of \_\_\_\_\_ defeated all the city-states of Sumer and conquered northern Mesopotamia. (Sargon/Kish)
7. A king known as \_\_\_\_\_ became a legendary figure in Sumerian literature. (Hammurabi/Gilgamesh)
8. Sumerian city centers were dominated by \_\_\_\_\_. (palaces/temples)
9. Sumerians used sharp \_\_\_\_\_ to make symbols on clay tablets. (styluses/knives)
10. The city-state of \_\_\_\_\_ rose to power after the death of Sargon. (Babylon/Ur)
11. The first farm settlements were formed in Mesopotamia as early as \_\_\_\_\_. (7000 BC/2000 BC)
12. Despite the growth of cities, society in Mesopotamia was still based on \_\_\_\_\_. (warfare/agriculture)
13. In Sumer, bricks made of \_\_\_\_\_ were the main building material. (stone/mud)

**True/False**

Indicate whether the statement is true or false.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 14. Hunter-gatherer groups first settled in Mesopotamia more than 20,000 years ago.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 15. The amount of land controlled by each city-state depended on its population.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 16. Sumerian women could be religious leaders.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 17. Sumerians excelled in math and made advances in medicine.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 18. A food surplus means having more food than is needed.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 19. The early Sumerian cities had permanent armies which they used to attack each other.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 20. Sumerians developed a math system based on the number 12.

**Matching**

In the space provided, write the letter of the term that matches each description.

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| a. Babylon     | g. Fertile Crescent |
| b. empire      | h. cuneiform        |
| c. pictographs | i. social hierarchy |
| d. chariot     | j. irrigation       |
| e. epics       | k. king             |
| f. alphabet    | l. polytheism       |

- \_\_\_\_\_ 21. a way of supplying water to an area of land
- \_\_\_\_\_ 22. the world's first form of writing
- \_\_\_\_\_ 23. the worship of many gods
- \_\_\_\_\_ 24. a division of society by rank or class
- \_\_\_\_\_ 25. picture symbols used for written communication
- \_\_\_\_\_ 26. long poems that tell the story of a hero
- \_\_\_\_\_ 27. land with different territories and peoples under a single rule
- \_\_\_\_\_ 28. a wheeled, horse-drawn battle cart
- \_\_\_\_\_ 29. a set of letters that can be combined to form words

**Short Answer**

- 30. What allowed the Mesopotamians to specialize in different professions?
- 31. What elements were needed in order for Mesopotamians to accomplish their building projects?
- 32. How did the roles of men and women differ in ancient Sumer?