

World History Course Vocabulary: 5,000 BCE – 2003 CE

Unit 1 “Ancient Civilizations”

137 Total Terms

SSWH1 (42 Terms)

1. Culture
2. Cultural Diffusion
3. Religion
4. Economics
5. Politics
6. Migration
7. Technology
8. Society
9. Mesopotamia or the Fertile Crescent
10. City-State
11. Sumer
12. Indo-Europeans
13. Persian Empire
14. Dynasty
15. Ziggurat
16. Polytheism
17. Empire
18. Old Babylonian Empire
19. Hammurabi
20. Unification of Upper and Lower Egypt
21. Pharaoh
22. Theocracy
23. Pyramid
24. Mummification
25. Hieroglyphics
26. Papyrus
27. Cuneiform
28. Mohenjo-Darro and Harappa City-States
29. Aryans
30. Shang Dynasty
31. Yin and Yang
32. Lao Tzu (Laozi) & Daoism
33. Monotheism
34. Moses
35. The Ten Commandments
36. Hebrew Bible or Torah
37. Kingdoms of Israel and Judah
38. Jewish Diaspora
39. Synagogue
40. Bantu Migration
41. Bantu-Speaking Peoples
42. Olmec Civilization

SSWH2 (44 Terms)

1. Subcontinent
2. Steppes
3. Monsoon
4. Mauryan Empire
5. Chandragupta Maurya
6. Ashoka or “Asoka” the Great
7. Buddhism
8. Chandra Gupta (Gupta Empire)
9. Gupta Empire
10. Hinduism
11. Zhou Dynasty
12. Mandate of Heaven
13. Dynastic Cycle
14. Warring States Period
15. Feudalism
16. Qin Dynasty
17. Shi Huangdi
18. Legalism
19. Autocracy
20. Liu Bang
21. Han Dynasty
22. Filial Piety
23. bureaucracy
24. Civil Service
25. Reincarnation
26. Karma
27. Dharma
28. Moksha
29. Enlightenment
30. Caste
31. Siddhartha Gautama
32. Nirvana
33. Vedas
34. Upanishads
35. Four Noble Truths
36. Eightfold Path
37. Confucius, Confucianism
38. Analects
39. Pastoralism
40. Philosophy
41. Silk Roads
42. Indian Ocean Trade
43. Patriarchal
44. Matriarchal

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Unit 1 Continued

SSWH3 (51 Terms)

1. Hoplite
2. Acropolis
3. Tyrant
4. Athens
5. Sparta
6. Epic
7. Myth
8. Monarchy
9. Oligarchy
10. Pericles
11. Democracy
12. Polis
13. Helots
14. Aristocracy
15. Direct-Democracy
16. Socrates and his Socratic Method
17. Plato and The Republic
18. Aristotle and his Lyceum
19. Alexander the Great
20. Macedonia
21. “Persian Wars”
22. Hellenism
23. Roman Republic
24. Roman Empire
25. Patrician
26. Plebian
27. Consul
28. Senate
29. The Twelve Tables
30. Assemblies
31. Punic Wars
32. Dictator
33. Legion
34. Triumvirate
35. Aqueduct
36. Tribune
37. Roman Civil Wars

SSWH3 Continued

38. Julius Caesar
39. Emperor
40. Augustus Caesar
41. Pax Romana
42. Christianity
43. Palestine
44. Jesus of Nazareth
45. Messiah
46. St. Paul the Apostle
47. Edict of Milan
48. Emperor Constantine the Great
49. St. Peter the Apostle
50. Third-century Crisis
51. Emperor Diocletian