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## MY CIVILIZATION

In class we have learned about many early civilizations. These civilizations, though they have many similarities, are very different. What would it be like if you could start your own civilization? How would the people live? What decisions would you make to create a great civilization? Here is your chance to find out! Apply what we have learned about civilizations to create a great civilization.

**Goal:** To understand the different aspects that were necessary for a civilization to be successful.

### Requirements

1. You will make a **poster** which will include a map and images showing your civilization.
2. You will also write a hand written **paper** explaining your civilization- be sure that you *answer all questions* in the descriptions of each feature on the back of this page.

<b>1. Poster</b>	<b>2. Paper</b>
<b>Map- items that must be drawn and labeled</b>	<b>Detailed paragraph for each of the features below</b>
_____/2 Boundaries (must have a shape)	_____/5 Government
_____/2 Mountain range (at least 1)	_____/5 Religion
_____/2 Rivers (at least 2)	_____/5 Social structure
_____/2 Lake (at least 1)	_____/5 Art and culture
_____/2 Forest (at least 1)	_____/5 Architecture and public works
_____/2 Desert (at least 1)	_____/5 Economy
_____/2 Scale	_____/5 Writing
_____/2 Legend or key	_____/5 History
_____/2 Cardinal directions	_____/10 color, organization, neatness
_____/2 Title of civilization (in your language and English)	_____/10 Extra Credit for typing paper
_____/2 Road system	_____/3 stapling this rubric to your project
_____/2 Capital city	
_____/2 Other cities (at least 3)	
<b>Images- You must choose 6 of the paper topics to illustrate on your poster</b>	
_____/18 (3 points per image)	
_____/3 Architectural structure (what is your colosseum?)	
<b>_____/47 Total Poster Score</b>	<b>_____/53 Total Paper Score</b>
	<b>Overall project score ____/100</b>

\*Be creative!! Think outside the box; don't just go with the usual. This is your chance to have some fun and be unique.

\*Put your name, date, and hour on the back of the poster. Paper clip the paper and this rubric to the poster before you turn it in.

## Written Paper Questions:

### GOVERNMENT

- ❑ You will need to describe who will make decisions in your government. Will you have a monarchy, democracy, republic, oligarchy, or another system?
- ❑ Civilizations created central governments to:
  - Oversee complex public works
  - Ensure a steady supply of food
  - Maintain order (laws & punishments)
  - Organize defense
  - Collect taxes
  - Provide planning & leadership
- ❑ Describe at least 3 of the actions from the above list that your government has done

### ARCHITECTURE

- ❑ What is the general architecture in your civilization? What do homes look like?
- ❑ What are construction projects paid for through taxes & constructed by a government for the benefit or use of the people? (Think of temples, palaces, roads, sewers, irrigation systems, defensive walls, etc.)
- ❑ What will your pyramid be? What are important buildings in your civilization?

### RELIGION

- ❑ Ancient people believed they must appeal to gods who control nature & human activities.
- ❑ What will be the religious beliefs and practices of the people in your civilization?

### ECONOMY

- ❑ Job specialization and long distance trade are important features of a civilization.
- ❑ How will people in your civilization support themselves economically (food, money, and jobs)? What will your civilization make, sell, or trade?
- ❑ What will be your staple crop?

### SOCIAL ORGANIZATION

- ❑ A complex social hierarchy emerged as people were ranked in society according to the job they performed.
  - Nobility & Priests
  - Warriors
  - Merchants & Artisans
  - Farmers & fishermen
  - Slaves
- ❑ You will have to describe how people relate to one another in your society. Also, is there a system of education? Who goes and what is taught?

### WRITING

- ❑ Civilizations develop their own systems of recording important information.
- ❑ What will your civilization's system of writing look like?

### ART & CULTURE

- ❑ Art expressed the values of the people who created them.
- ❑ What kinds of culture, arts, and entertainment will be popular in your civilization?
- ❑ What is important in your civilization? What traits are valued?

### HISTORY

- ❑ Every civilization has a story. What is yours?
- ❑ How was your civilization founded?
- ❑ Who are some important people in your history- what did they do that was significant?
- ❑ Have there been wars, natural disasters, important technological improvements, or other events that have changed your civilization over time?