Questions for World History & Geography I

1) What is prehistory?

2) What three types of scientists specialize in the study of prehistory and what do they study?

3) Where did the first humans live?

4) Why did humans migrate to other continents?

5) What is nomad?

6) What was their life like?

7) What does Paleolithic Era mean?

8) What are the six characteristics of the Paleolithic Era?

9) What does Neolithic Era mean?

10) What are the five characteristics of the Neolithic Era?

11) Give examples of the Neolithic Era

12) What is civilization?

13) Where did they first civilization develop?

14) Why did they develop?
15) Civilization brought new development in what five areas of life? Explain each

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Ancient Greece

16) What physical locations shaped the economic, social and political development of Greek civilization?

17) What were some of the economic and social developments?

18) What were some of the political developments?

19) Who developed a unique religious system? What was it called?

20) Greek religion was a religious system that recognizes multiple supernatural beings, technically, multiple gods, which is known as _____________________.

20) How did the Greeks use religion?

21) Who were the major Greek gods and goddesses?

22) Where is Greek Mythology symbolized today?

23) How did the Greek City-States develop?

24) What is the main Greek political unit?

25) Who had political rights and responsibilities for participation in government?

26) Who had no political rights?

27) How did Athens government develop?
28) Who were the two tyrants who worked for reform?

29) What democratic principles that are part of the United States today developed from Ancient Greece?

30) What kind of government did Sparta have?

31) What was Sparta’s social structure like?

32) What limited Sparta’s social development?

33) What wars within the Greek Peninsula brought changes in Greek life?

34) What did the wars with Persia do to Athens and Sparta?

35) Who was victorious over the Persians and Salamis and Marathon?

36) Who was in control of the Aegean Sea?

37) During 499-449 B.C., who thrived in government and culture?

38) Why did the Peloponnesian War (431-404 B.C.) occur?

39) What did the Peloponnesian War due to the Greeks?

**Height of the Greek Empire**

40) When did the Golden Age of Pericles occur?

41) What did Pericles do to Democracy?

42) What was the Parthenon?

43) What contributions did the Greek culture make to western civilization and who were the people associated with it?
44) What followed the weakening of Greek political structure during the Peloponnesian Wars?

45) Who conquered most of Greece?

46) Who was Alexander the Great and what did he do?

47) What was Hellenistic Culture?

The Romans-The Classical Civilization

48) Where is Rome physically located?

49) Where is Italy located?

50) What protects Italy to the North?

51) What protects Italy from the east, west and south?

52) What was Roman Mythology based on?

53) What did Mythology provide?

54) What are some of the major gods and goddesses?

55) How is Roman Mythology significant today?

56) Explain the social structure in the Roman Republic.
57) Who was granted citizenship?

58) What were some of the rights and responsibilities?

59) What kind of democracy did Rome have?

60) What were assemblies?

61) What was the Senate?

62) Who were the Consuls?

63) What were the twelve tables?

64) When did Rome dominate the Mediterranean Basin?

65) Who fought in the Punic Wars?

66) What did Rome and Carthage compete for?

67) Who was Hannibal?

68) Why did the Roman Republic decline? Explain

69) During the origin and evolution of the Imperial Rome (Empire), the first triumvirate did what?

70) Who was Julius Caesar?

71) Who was Augustus Caesar?
72) What happened to the Empire after Augustus Caesar?

73) What did Imperial rule bring?

74) What is the Pax Romana?

75) What were the economic impacts of the Pax Romana?

76) What were the social impacts?

77) What were the political impacts?

78) What happened to Christianity during the Roman Empire?

79) What are the roots of Christianity?

80) Who led Christianity?

81) What did it conflict with?

82) What are the beliefs, traditions and customs of Christianity?

83) What was the New Testament?

84) How did Christianity spread?

85) Who adopted and legalized it?

86) What are the Contributions of Ancient Rome? Give Examples
87) What led to the decline of the Western Roman Empire?

88) What occurred in the division of the Roma Empire?

89) What happened to the Western Roman Empire and the Eastern Roman Empire?

**Ancient African Civilization**

89) Where did the early African civilizations develop?

90) Describe the Sub-Saharan Africa:

91) Describe the East Africa:

92) Describe the West African Kingdoms:
93) What did the regional trade in the Eastern hemisphere bring? Explain D through H:

94) What physical obstacles had to be conquered inorder to promote trade across Africa?

The Indian Empires

95) Where are the following places found:

Indus River:
Ganges River:
Hindu Kush:
Himalayas:
Indian Ocean:

96) What serves as a protection to the north?

97) What serves as a barrier to the south?

98) Who were the Indo-Aryan and what did they bring with them?

99) What happened under India’s Golden Age?
100) What religion was started by the Indo-Aryans?

101) What is the caste system?

102) What are the beliefs of Hinduism?

103) What is Karma?

104) What are the Vedas and Upanishads?

105) Who was the founder of Buddhism?

106) Why did he found it?

107) What was he searching for?

108) Who was Gautama and what did he do?

109) What was the Eightfold Path?

110) Who were the Asokas and what did they do?

111) What two groups did Buddhism split into and what did they believe?

China’s Flourishing Civilization

112) Where did China’s civilization develop?

113) Why did it develop there?
114) Where was China most vulnerable and why?

115) What was the Great Wall? Who built it?

116) Who ruled in China?

117) What were Chinese rulers considered?

118) What was the Mandate of Heaven?

119) What were the Silk Roads?

120) What was the civil service system?

121) What four things were developed by the Chinese?

122) What is Confucianism? What four things did it teach?

123) What is Daoism?

124) What was Yin and Yang?

125) Where else did Chinese forms of Buddhism spread?