

**Introductory Study Questions  
World History & Geography 2**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

**TIMELINE:**

- a. Use the back of this page. Draw a line lengthwise through the center of the paper, and divide it into four equal segments.
- b. On the line identify four main eras of history. (Don't try to make the timeline proportional. It won't work.)
- c. Identify three events that divide the four eras, and place them in their proper locations on the timeline.
- d. Identify four great waves of history, and place them in their proper locations on the timeline.

**STUDY QUESTIONS**

**Use your own paper for these questions. Answer in complete sentences.  
Some answers will require explanation.  
Discussion is fine, but never copy another student's work.**

**In this class, always make the question clear in your answer.**

**These are examples of how to answer the first two questions below:**

1. "\_\_\_\_\_ is an example of how geography can change history."
2. "The world's first civilizations began \_\_\_\_\_ (where?) because \_\_\_\_\_ (why?)."

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1. Provide examples of how each of these forces changed history: geography, technology, trade, and human choice.
2. Where did the world's first civilizations begin? Why there?
3. Which three civilizations of Eurasia and North Africa formed an early international trading network?
4. What are two reasons that societies in sub-Saharan Africa and the Americas might have developed more slowly than societies in Eurasia?
5. How did animal herders from the grasslands of Eurasia change history?
6. What had to happen before civilization could exist?
7. Where do historians get their information about the past?
8. Can history always be trusted to tell the truth about the past? Why or why not?