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Lesson Activity for Grade 5 (Social Studies: Ancient Mesopotamia)

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1. Go into the Grade 5 door. Click on Social Studies. Find the orange star with the title Ancient Mesopotamia on the Early Civilizations side.



2. Click on Maps/Geography. Click on Ancient Mesopotamia - info and maps. What does Mesopotamia mean? Hint: read the PINK writing.

3. Go BACK 2 times. Click on Daily Life. Read the first paragraph to answer:

What were the people of Mesopotamia called? _____

When was the Mesopotamian civilization in existence? _____

About how many people lived in Mesopotamia? _____

Tell 3 things that Mesopotamians invented? _____



4. Read the second paragraph to tell:

Why do you think was Mesopotamia such a good trading community? _____

Tell some of the things that were traded in Mesopotamia. _____



Describe their celebrations. _____

5. Read the ARTS section. It says that the Sumerians were wonderful craftsmen. What kinds of things did they create? _____

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6. Read the RELIGION section. How was the Mesopotamian's religion different from ours today? _____

7. Read about Ziggurats. Describe them to me so that I get a good understanding of what one is. _____



8. Read about EDUCATION. What was their form of writing called? _____

Tell 3 facts about their education system: _____



9. Read about the CLASSES OF PEOPLE. On the back, draw a diagram illustrating the order of the classes from top to bottom. Use boxes and arrows. Tell one fact about each level in its box.

10. Read about WOMEN. Tell some of the rights some of the women had. _____



11. Read about HOMES. On the back of the first page, draw and label a Mesopotamian home. Label the things you know about it. As well, tell 3 facts about their homes.

12. Check out some of the other **recommended websites** for additional information.