6 characteristics of a civilization

Mesopotamia and Egypt

Do they fit our model of a civilization? How and Why?

Project of a mosaic depicting one of the 6 characteristics of a civilization (from either Egypt or Mesopotamia) with a description of why they are right?

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| Day | Topic | Activities/Content |
| 1 | Egypt | * Egypt Online Activity |
| 2 | Egypt | * Egypt Film w/ Guide   + Pyramids |
| 3 | Mesopotamia | * Review 6 Characteristics of Civilization * Mesopotamia artifact lab |
| 4 | Mesopotamia | * Debrief Mesopotamia lab * Mesopotamia Guided Reading (homework if not complete) |
| 5 | Mesopotamia and Egypt | * Fertile Crescent Times Newspaper Project   + Intro Project and Assign Groups   + Decide on topics   + Research for your article |
| 6 | Mesopotamia and Egypt | * Fertile Crescent Times Newspaper Project   + Research/Writing Day |
| 7 | Mesopotamia and Egypt | * Fertile Crescent Times Newspaper Project   + Writing/Compilation   + DUE: End of class |

Fertile Times Newspaper Project

Students work in groups to create a newspaper about Ancient Egypt and Mesopotamia. Provide a list of ancient achievements/events that students can research from Mesopotamia and Ancient Egypt. (Specify the number of inventions/events that students need. Word count for articles, number of images, etc.) Students then write an article about the event or advertisement for the invention. Group puts all of the articles together in a newspaper.