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**Ancient Mesopotamia Scavenger Hunt**

Before we begin the Empire Simulation about Mesopotamia, we need to find out what it was like to live in Ancient Mesopotamia. Go to the websites below in order to answer the questions and learn about life thousands of years ago. Record your answers on the provided answer sheet.

[http://www.mesopotamia.co.uk/geography/home\_set.html](%20http://www.mesopotamia.co.uk/geography/home_set.html)

The British Museum: Geography of Mesopotamia

1. What does Mesopotamia mean?
2. What are the two rivers in Mesopotamia?
3. What landforms are in the Northern region of Mesopotamia?
4. What landforms are in the Southern region of Mesopotamia?

Do the Geography Challenge then answer the following question:

1. What invention helped farmers have a successful harvest?

<http://www.historyforkids.org/learn/westasia/history/sumerians.htm>

History for Kids Website about the Sumerians

1. In what modern country did the Sumerians live?
2. What were the temples called?

<http://www.ancientmesopotamians.com/ancient-mesopotamian-religion.html>

Ancient Mesopotamian Religion

1. Were Mesopotamians monotheistic or polytheistic?
2. Who was An?

<http://mesopotamia.mrdonn.org/classes.html>

Mr. Donn’s Website: Ancient Mesopotamia-The Classes of People

1. What were the four classes of people in Mesopotamia?
2. What did a priest do?
3. How did a person become a slave?

<http://www.ducksters.com/history/mesopotamia/code_of_hammurabi.php>

Duckster’s History for Kids: Ancient Mesopotamia-Code of Hammurabi

1. Who was Hammurabi?
2. What was the Code of Hammurabi?
3. Give an example of the Code.

<http://www.mesopotamia.co.uk/writing/home_set.html>

British Museum: Ancient Mesopotamia-Writing

1. What was the earliest form of Mesopotamian writing and what did it show?
2. What was their later writing called?
3. What did scribes record?