

Semester 1 Final Study guide

A Good Guideline: Remember you are trying to establish *relevance* - what is important and what made it important.

Relevance: The guidelines for determining what to look for when investigating history. (list below)

Chapter 1 - the rise of Man. The earliest humanoids and the people who study them.

- **Chad**
- **Lucy**
- **The scientists:** (Named individuals & contributions)
- **The scientist / historian jobs:** (name and describe what they study)
- **Scientific Methods** -
 - To discover the early cultures
 - To date and classify finds
 - To analyze the cultural aspects of early hominids
- **The Hominids** - List in order of appearance, with regions
 - List a key cultural development with the group/groups it applied to
- **The Ages:** (list in order w/ approx. dates)
- **Neolithic Revolution:** (What it was, what it influenced)
- **Places:** (areas/locations of importance, why they were important)
- **Define Technology and Civilization:**

Chapter 2 - the rise of Cities and Civilizations.

- **Mesopotamia and Babylon** -
 - Significant leaders/rulers...
 - Methods of rule / type of government
 - Religion; type and impact on the culture
 - Science & Technology
 - Economic systems
- **Ancient Egypt-**
 - Significant leaders/rulers...
 - Methods of rule / type of government
 - Religion; type and impact on the culture
 - Science & Technology
 - Economic systems
- **Indus Valley** -
 - Harappans
 - Morenjo Daro
 - Language
 - Technology & Economy
- **Early China** -
 - Significant leaders/rulers...
 - Feudalism
 - Religion; type and impact on the culture
 - Science & Technology
 - The Wall

- Warring States Period

Chapter 3/4: The Rise of Religions and Military Power: People on the Move

- **The Indo-Europeans** - Technology, philosophy and long-term impact
 - **The Hittites**
 - **Technology**
 - **Warfare & conquest**
 - **The Aryans**
 - **Caste system**
- **Rise of Eastern Religions** - origins, commonality & differences
 - **Jainism**
 - **Hinduism**
 - **Bhuddism**
- **Sea Farers and Trade** - innovations and common ground
 - **Minoans**
 - **Phoenicians**
- **Origins of Judaism:** Origins and details
- **Egypt and Nubia:** combined histories, building and technology
- **The Assyrians** -
 - Significant leaders/rulers...
 - Methods of rule / type of government
 - Religion; type and impact on the culture
 - Science & Technology
 - Economic systems
- **The Early Persians** -
 - Significant leaders/rulers...
 - Methods of rule / type of government
 - Religion; type and impact on the culture
 - Science & Technology
 - Economic systems
- **Unifying China:** beyond the period of Warring States -
 - Significant leaders/rulers...
 - Methods of rule / type of government
 - Religion; type and impact on the culture
 - Science & Technology
 - Economic systems

Chapter 5: Greeks: The Rise of the Mediterranean Cultures

- **The Early Greeks - The Myceneans, Minoans and Dorians**
 - Significant leaders/rulers...
 - Methods of rule / type of government
 - Religion; type and impact on the culture
 - Science & Technology
 - Economic systems
- **The Warring Greek City-States** - early monarchies, political structures, and conflicts.
 - **Athens** -

- Philosophy
- Arts
- Government
- **Sparta-**
 - Military impact on society
 - Social structure
- **Wars -**
- **The Golden Age & Democracy**
 - **The Athenian Empire**
 - **Philosophy and Philosophers**
- **Alexander's Empire**
 - **Macedonia**
 - **Conquests**
 - **Features / Technology**
 - **Scientific**
 - **Impact**
- **The Spread of Hellenistic Culture**
 - **Alexandria**
 - **Math and Science**

Chapter 6: The Romans

- **The Roman Republic**
 - The Rise of...
 - Ruled by...
 - The Mythos & Religions
 - The *Pax Romana*
 - Key aspects of the society (government, art, architecture etc.)
 - Technology & Economy
 - The Fall of the Republic
- **The Roman Empire**
 - The Rise of...(the Triumvirate and the Gauls)
 - Good and Bad Emperors...
 - The Mythos & Religions
 - Spread by...
 - Key aspects of the society
 - Technology & Economy
- **The Rise of Christianity**
 - The Rise of...
 - Key individuals...
 - The Jewish Rebellion
 - Viewed by onlooking cultures as...
 - The *Pax Romana's* influence
 - Political Structure...
- **The Roman Empire Divides & Falls**

- Ruled by...
- Separation: East and West
- Economic / political / military turmoil
- The Barbarians - Germanic Tribes, Gauls, Huns
- The *Pax Romana*'s influence
- **The Greco-Roman Influence on the West**
 - Fine Arts
 - Politics
 - Law
 - Virgil
 - Pompeii

Remember; break these down into key ideas. Not all of these will be on the test, but because these things are all related, knowing one piece may help you remember another. I will try to highlight the most important parts in class. Your casebook should be an effective study resource.