**History of Western Civilization to 1500 Mr. Kirchberg**

 **(*UW-Marinette: History 105*)**

**Background Information**

**1.** History **=** *Written Record* & Prehistory **=** *Before Writing*

**2.** Why do we study history**?**

**3.** Six types of history**: a.** Political **(**leaders are important**)**

 **b**. Military (wars & battles)

 **c.** Economic **(**Wealth as the incentive**)**

 **d.** Social **(**Society’s input)

 **e.** Cultural **(**Music, religion, etc.**)**

 **f.** Psycho **(**Insight thru**.** people’s minds**)**

**4.** Three types of documents**: a.** Primary documents **–**

 **(**letters, diaries, newspapers, etc**.)**

 **b.** Secondary documents **–**

  **(**teachers, biographies, texts, etc**.)** **c.** Visual documents **–**

 **(**paintings, sculptures, photos, etc**.)**

**5.** Two types of Criticisms: **a.** Internal Criticism **–**does the

 document make sense**????**

  **b.** External Criticism – Are the

 paper & ink right?

**6.** No Year Zero**: Timeline**

 **(One cannot have nothing!) One Year!**

 **3 B.C. 2 B.C. 1 B.C.E. A.D. 1 A.D. 2 A.D. 3**

 **(3 B.C.E.) (2 B.C.E.) (1 B.C.E.) (C.E.)**

 **Note:***Calendar used will be the Gregorian Calendar*

 *of Pope Gregory XIII* ***(****C****.****E****.*** *1582****)***

 ***(****Decade* ***=****10 yrs****.,*** *Century* ***=*** *100 yrs****.,*** *Millenium* ***=*** *1000 yrs****.)***

 **Note:***Hebrew****/****Jewish Calendar began in 3760 B.C.E.*

 ***(****Many aspects including a lunar element****)***

**Note:***Muslim Calendar began in 622 C.E. & is solar*

**7.** Civilization**:** Highly organized society with complex

 institutions and attitudes that link a large

 number of people together. **(ex.** cities**)**

**Western Civilization – Unit I**

**I.** Defining Western Civilization

 **A.** Began at [Egypt](http://media.maps101.com/SUB/history/WRLH040-H.gif) & Mesopotamia

 **B.** Christianity allowed for differentiation from

 other civilizations

 **1.** The Renaissance **(~1400-1600)** made Greek &

 Roman the permanent foundation of the West

 **2.** Contact with Islam & other civilizations helped

 define the West

 **C.** Colonization allowed the **“**ideas of the West**”**

 to be transplanted

 **D.** The West has a natural and material view of the

 Universe, but religion still plays a part

 **E.** The West is known for two main focuses

  **1.** Reason& the individual

 **2.** Mix in racism, totalitarianism, violence, slavery

 and other such qualities to get the West

**Chapter I** Ancient Near East**:** The First Civilization

**Egyptians (**Where writing & institutions associated

**Disagree** withWestern Civilization began**)**

 **II.** The First Humans**/**[Hominids](http://www.scienceagainstevolution.org/v4i4f.htm)

 **A.** Discerned not by historians but by archaeol-

 ogists, and anthropologists to study prehistory

 **B.** **“**Humanity**”** began in east Africa **~**3-4 million

 years ago

 **1.** [Australopithecus](http://www.columbia.edu/itc/anthropology/v1007/2002projects/web/australopithecus/austro.html) (**ex.** **“Lucy”)** one of the

 first to fashion tools

 **2.** Homo [Erectus](http://occupyilluminati.com/wp-content/plugins/rss-poster/cache/c9c4d_wq54f90c3a.jpg) **(**a more evolved hominid**)**

 **a.** Larger in size **~** 1.5 mil**.** B**.**C**.**E**.**

 **b.** Better tool maker

  **3.** Homo Sapiens **(“**wise human-being**”)**

 **a.** Appeared **~**250,000 **B.C.E.**

 **b.** Migrated from Africa and around the

 world beginning in **~**70,000 **B.C.E.**

 **4.** [Neanderthal](http://www.wired.com/images_blogs/photos/uncategorized/2009/02/12/neanderthal_660px.jpg) (**~**200,000**-**30**,**000 B**.**C**.**E**.**)

Denisovans **a.** Named for Neander Valley in Germany

of Asia **b.** Only in Europe, Southwest Asia**/**Mideast.

or Homo **c.** Mysterious disappearance **~**30,000 **B.C.E.**

[Floresiensis](http://www.astrosurf.com/luxorion/Bio/homo-floresiensis-daynes.jpg) **i.** Killed by smarter Cro- Magnon**???**

of Malayasia **ii.** Assimilated**/**[interbred](http://www.rdos.net/neanderthal.jpg) with Cro-Magnon

**(“Hobbits” ~ 40 inches tall)** **iii.** Failed to live without Ice Ages [**NEA**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=toBWYvtobH0)

 **5.** Cro-Magnon

 **a.** Discovered in caves in France **–** 1868

 **b.** Directly preceded modern man and

 disappeared **~**10**,**000 **B.C.E.**

One species **c.** Looked modern **(**Homo Sapiens Sapiens**)**

 **d.** Better tool and weapon maker **(spear-thrower)**

 **e.** Migrated [from](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CJdT6QcSbQ0) Africa to world-wide

 between **~**70**,**000 to **~**20**,**000 B**.**C**.**E**.**

**Hands →** **f.** Famous black & red cave [drawings](http://www.uncp.edu/home/rwb/Lascaux_Horses.jpg)

**&** [**Hunting**](https://s3.amazonaws.com/lowres.cartoonstock.com/history-prehistory-cave_arts-cave_drawing-cave_art-cavemen-lhan244_low.jpg) **g.** Disappeared genetically

 **C.** Stone Age **(**[Chipped](http://media.web.britannica.com/eb-media/73/91873-004-E9F9F65F.jpg) [stone](http://farm9.staticflickr.com/8517/8553965063_838718c392_b.jpg) tools to arrows**)**

 **1.** **2.5** million to **~3500/2500** **B.C.E.**

 **2.** Three divisions

 **a.** Old Stone Age **=** Paleolithic

**2.5 million to** **i.** Palaios **(**Greek**)** **=** **“**ancient**”**

**12,000** **B.C**.**E.** **ii.** Lithos **=** **“**stone**”**

 **b.** Middle Stone Age **=** Mesolithic Age

 **(**12**,**000 **–**10**,**000 **B.C.E.)**

 **c.** Neolithic Age**/**Revolution **(**10**,**000 **–** 4**,**000 **B.C.E.)**

 **i.** Began with the end of the

 [Wisconsin](http://media.web.britannica.com/eb-media/18/64918-004-1078906E.gif) Ice Age (last)

  **ii.** Beginning of transitional communities

 **(**farming & hunting to survive**)**

 **(a)** Agricultural revolution began

 **(b)** Herding of animals

 **(c)** Domestication of the dog, goat,

 pig, and sheep with the growing

 of wheat & barley in the Near East

 **iii.** First permanent communities

 in the Dead Sea region

 **(a)** Jericho **~**8000 **B.C.E.**

**6000 people by (b)** Catal-Huyuk with mud brick

 **5700 B.C.E.** homes and access by the roofs

 **Ishtar!? iv.** Artisan class develops

 **v.** Communities begin around a type of

 **“**shrine**”** tomostly earth [goddesses](https://classconnection.s3.amazonaws.com/1875/flashcards/714308/jpg/venus-of-willendorf.jpg) like

  **vi.** Other consequences of Neolithic Rev**.**

 **(a)** Division of labor

 **(b)** Use of pottery for cooking**/**storage

 **(c)** Weaving of baskets

 **(d)** Flint for hoes, sickles & arrows

 **(e)** Men held power

 **(f)** First metal, copper, is fashioned

 between 4000 **–** 3300 **B.C.E.**

**Bronze Age (3000 – 1200 B.C.E.)** **(g)** Eventually walled cities & armies

**Iron Age Started ~1400 B.C.E.** develop with better farming

**III.** Emergence of Civilization

 **A.** Civilization **=** a complex culture in which large

 numbers of human beings share a variety of

 common elements **(**usually cites & writing)

 **1.** Focus of cities politically, economically,

 socially & culturally **(**includes religion**)**

 **a.** Obsession with gods for success

 **b.** Priestly class gained first power

 **c.** Warrior class developed with a

 bureaucracy to build, to defend, & to audit

 **2.** Pyramidal social structure with priests-kings, to

 nobility, to scribes, to artisans-merchants, to

 farmers to slaves **(small group)**

 **3.** Writing develops for records **(~**3100 **B.C.E.)**

 **4.** New architecture for religious buildings

 **B.** Other Civilizations besides the West

 **1.** Indus Valley**:**  [Harappa](http://downloads.bbc.co.uk/rmhttp/schools/primaryhistory/images/indus_valley/land_of_the_indus/i_map.gif) & Mohenjo-daro

 **(~**3000-1500 **B.C.E.)**

 **2.** China**:** [Yellow](http://www.currituck.k12.nc.us/cms/lib4/NC01001303/Centricity/Domain/142/first_thumb1326682566.jpg) River **(~**2000 **B.C.E.)**

 **a.** Shang Dynasty **(**1750-1122 **B.C.E.)**

 **b.** Farmer**/**Warrior society

 **3.** [Turkmenistan](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bactria%E2%80%93Margiana_Archaeological_Complex) & [Uzbekistan](http://static.ddmcdn.com/gif/willow/geography-of-turkmenistan0.gif) (**~**2000 **B.C.E.)**

**Central Asia** **a.** Own system of writing

**Civilization** **b.** Farmers**/**herders with mud brick buildings

 **4.** Caral, Peru Civilization (**~**2600 **B.C.E.)**

 **a.** Began in Supe River Valley

  **b.** Irrigated, with stone building & apartments

 **C.** Why Civilizations developed

 **1.** To deal with presented challenges

 **2.** **Farming is key for civilizations to exist!**

 **a.** Leads to invention, specialization, division of

 labor, bureaucracies to exist, & large pops.

 **b.** Material society develops

 **3.** Religion caused a sense of unity **(**nonmaterial**)**

 **4.** Unknown reasons**?????**