

Ancient India

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Chapter 4--History of Our World **40**

Class Period _____ Assignment # _____

Directions: As you read Chapter 4 in History of Our World, answer the following.

Section 1: The Indus and Ganges River Valleys

1. Define: (1 pt. each)

citadel-

migrate-

Aryan-

2. What physical feature separates India from the rest of the world?

3. What two major rivers provide water and fertile soil for farming ?

4. Name 2 planning advancements in the city of Mohenjo-Daro. (2 pts.)

5. What caused the decline of the people of Mohenjo-Daro?

6. Who were the Aryans?

7. What does Veda mean? What is included in the Vedas? (2 pts.)

8. What did/does the caste system determine? How might a caste be limiting? (2pts)

Skills Check: Examine the diagram on pp. 112-113.

9. What might the Great Bath have been used for?

10. Why do you think the granary was in the Citadel rather than the lower city?

Section 2: Hinduism in Ancient India

11. Define: (1 pt. each)

brahman-

avatar-

reincarnation-

dharma-

ahimsa-

12. How does Hinduism differ from other major religions?

13. What does the phrase, "God is one, but wise people know it by many names," mean to Hindus?

14. What are the characteristics of Vishnu and Shiva? (2 pts.)

Vishnu-

Shiva-

15. What are the Upanishads?

16. How does the idea of reincarnation affect a Hindu's behavior?

17. Why does a Hindu want to obey their dharma?

18. What idea of Hinduism keeps followers from harming other living things or eating meat?

19. How might a Hindu practice "yoga" that is different from the kind offered at Gold's Gym?

20. Describe two different ways a Hindu might worship. (2 points)

Section 3: The Beginnings of Buddhism

21. Define:

meditate-

Buddha (not highlighted)-

nirvana-

22. What question did Gautama seek an answer to through meditation?

23. How does the Eightfold Path, or the Middle Way, help Buddhists to end suffering?

24. What does lasting peace, or nirvana, mean for a Buddhist?

25. In what country did Buddhism originate?

26. Name 4 countries where Buddhism has spread.

27. List at least 2 beliefs that Hindus and Buddhists share?