

## WHY DID EARLY CIVILIZATIONS DEVELOP IN THE FERTILE CRESCENT?

1. Locate the region named Mesopotamia. The two rivers that flow through it are named \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_.
2. What body of water do both of these rivers empty into? \_\_\_\_\_
3. How might this help the people living in this area? \_\_\_\_\_  
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4. Two cities in Mesopotamia are \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
5. Why would Mesopotamia be named the "Fertile Crescent"? \_\_\_\_\_  
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6. Travelling from Babylonia to Egypt, a person would be going in which direction?
7. What geographic feature is located between the cities of Jerusalem and Ur? \_\_\_\_\_
8. What geographic feature is located northeast of the region of Sumer? \_\_\_\_\_
9. Why would early civilizations develop in the Fertile Crescent?  
Reason #1 \_\_\_\_\_  
Reason #2 \_\_\_\_\_  
Reason #3 \_\_\_\_\_
10. How many miles apart are Babylon and Ur? \_\_\_\_\_  
How many miles apart are Jerusalem and Babylon? \_\_\_\_\_  
How many miles apart are the Nile Delta and Babylon? \_\_\_\_\_

### MESOPOTAMIA AND THE FERTILE CRESCENT

