

Ancient India

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Geography

Objective:

1. Evaluate how geography affected the development and growth of ancient India.
 - A. rivers: Ganges, and Indus
 - B. mountains: Himalayas, Hindu Kush
 - C. bodies of water: Bay of Bengal, Arabian Sea

Physical Features:	1. Brahmaputra River	2. Deccan Plateau
3. Eastern & Western Ghats	4. Ganges River	5. Himalaya Mountains
6. Hindu Kush Mountains	7. Indus River	8. Thar Desert

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Physical Feature	Description
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Mohenjo - Daro (moh-hen-joh-dahr-oh) & Harappa (huh-rap-uh)

Objective:

2. Outline the emergence of urban development in the Indus River Valley.
 - A. Mohenjo Daro and Harappa as models of city planning
 - B. mysterious end of these cities

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Journal Entry:

Aryan Migration

Objective:

3. Investigate how the Aryan migration affected Indian culture and the development of Hinduism.
 - A. Sanskrit
 - B. Vedas
 - C. Polytheism and Reincarnation
 - D. Agricultural communities
 - E. Evaluate how much of an impact did the Aryans truly had on the development of India?

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Questions:

1. How did researchers discover most of the information about the Indus Valley people?

2. How were the Aryans different from the people already living in the Indus River Valley?

Social Structure

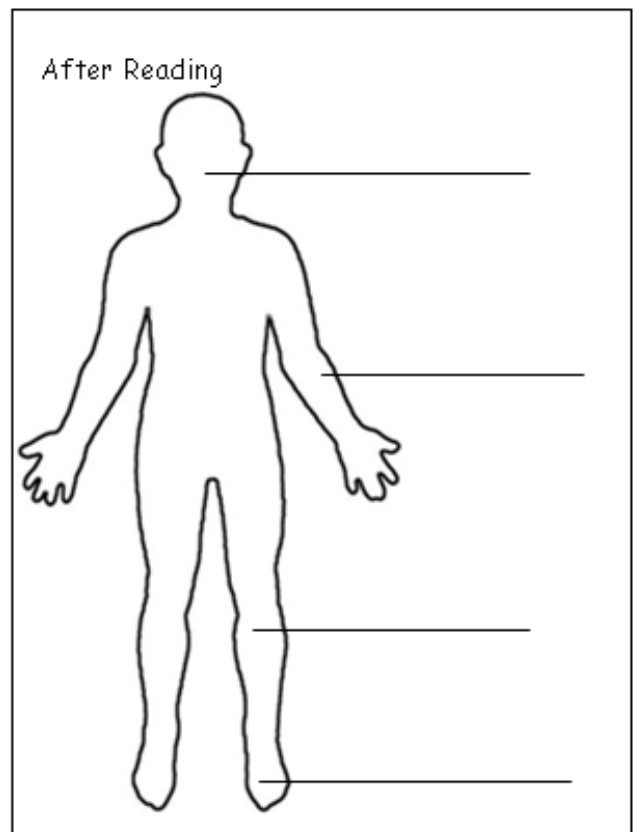
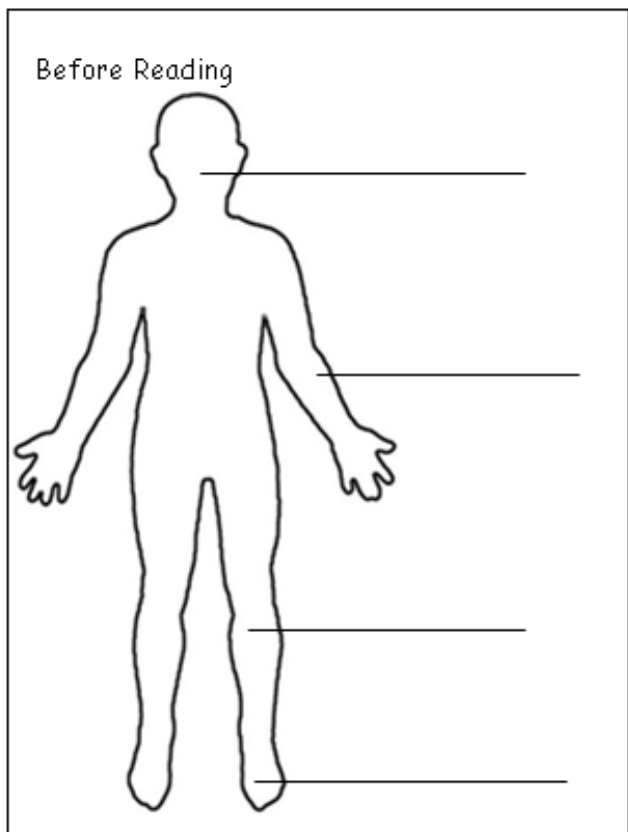
Objective:

4. Connect the development of the social structure in ancient India to its religious beliefs.
 - A. caste system
 - B. Evaluate how Hinduism justified the Caste system?

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Caste System ~ Body Metaphor Predictions



Caste Levels

Brahmins – Priest
Kshatriyas/ Shatriyas - Warriors

Vaiśhyas/ Vaiyas – Merchants, Farmers, Craftspeople
Shudras/ Sudras – Peasants or Servants

Buddhism & Cultural Achievements

Objective:

5. Recognize the major cultural and historical achievements of ancient India.
 - A. Buddhism as an outgrowth of Hinduism
 - B. medical innovations, mathematics, fine arts (Gupta)

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Questions:

1. When was Prince Siddhartha born? What does his name mean?

2. Describe Queen Maya's dream. What does it mean?

3. Why does the sage Asita weep when he sees Siddhartha?