

SECTION 2.4: Mediterranean Civilizations

Vocabulary
 Alphabet:
 Monotheism:
 Famine:
 Exile:

People on the shores of the Mediterranean were becoming rich by gathering _____. The snails produced a rich _____ - and was highly valued by _____ people throughout the Mediterranean.

Phoenician Sea Power

Name two cities in Phoenicia:

1. _____
2. _____

Name two Phoenician Colonies:

1. _____
2. _____



Masters of Trade

In addition to snails, Phoenicia had a great amount of _____. As trade grew the Phoenicians looked toward the _____ to increase _____.

Exotic Marketplaces

Trade brought goods to the cities of _____ and _____. Bazaars had food, spices and exotic animals like _____ and warthogs or bears.

The Phoenician Alphabet

Ⲁ	*aleph [ʾ]	Ⲍ	lamedh [l]
Ⲃ	beth [b]	Ⲏ	mem [m]
Ⲅ	gimmel [g]	Ⲑ	nun [n]
Ⲇ	daleth [d]	Ⲓ	samekh [s]
Ⲉ	he [h]	Ⲕ	*ayin [ʾ]
Ⲋ	waw [w]	Ⲗ	pe [p]
Ⲍ	zayin [z]	Ⲙ	tsade [ʦ]
Ⲏ	heth [h]	Ⲑ	qoph [q]
Ⲑ	teth [t]	Ⲓ	reš [r]
Ⲕ	yodh [y]	Ⲗ	šin [ʃ]
Ⲙ	kaph [k]	Ⲑ	taw [t]

The Phoenicians relied on _____ to conduct _____.

The writing used just _____ symbols. It was the basis for the language of _____.

How did the writing compare to cuneiform?

How did this affect trade?

The Rise of the Israelites

South of Phoenicia, a group lived in the _____ Valley. First called _____, they are now known as _____.

Many early stories are told in the _____, the Israelites most sacred text.

Name: _____ Period: _____ p.47-51

Historians use _____ and _____ to understand the story of Abraham.

Abraham the Leader

Israelites traced their culture to _____. For many years they worked as _____.

Abraham taught his people _____, or the belief in one god. Abraham believed he should leave _____ and settle elsewhere.



From Canaan to Egypt

The Torah says that Abraham led the Israelites from Mesopotamia to _____. At this time there was a great famine, or _____.

Because of the famine, the Israelites moved south to _____. After a few hundred years the king forced them into _____.

In the Desert

The Israelite leader _____, led his people out of Egypt - this is known as the _____.

They fled to the _____ and there they believed God sent a code of laws called _____. After this experience Israelites returned to Canaan.

Settlement in Canaan

The Israelites first united under King _____, and then under King _____. King David established a capital in _____.

A Divided Kingdom

After King David's son, King _____, died - the country split into _____ kingdoms. The northern kingdom was called _____ and the southern kingdom was called _____. The divided kingdom was ripe for _____.

Sent into Exile

In 722 Israelites resisted _____ rule. The Assyrians then sent thousands of people into _____, which means to force people to _____ in another place. From then on, many different rulers had power over the area.

