

Diamond's main point

- Farming evolved
- Was farming not avoidable?

How "hikers" picked their fruit

- Size • Bitterness • fleshiness • oil content • color

Non Food uses for plants

- Clothes, weaving • Fertilization (slash & burn)

Strayer

What the different groups have in common?

Commonalities

- Gender division of labor
- Religious
- Male dominance
- Elders veneration
- Group Cohesion
- Not Kingdoms, fragmented
- Agricultural

Differences

- Germans wage war
- Polygamy
 - Germans could not
 - Gikuyu could
- Substance use
- Germans spread out spacially
- Event based growth - Gikuyu
- Gikuyu found peaceful resolutions

* Although all 3 societies have religion, they all practice their religion differently. Some are polytheistic, some monotheistic, and some use idols.

* Although different locations, actually all ag. societies because of labor division, cohesive society, sedentary, tiered hierarchical social structure

"The Neolithic shift to settled ag marked a revolutionary turning point in human history"

Discussion →

Good

- Population increase good to help w/ farming
- Technologies were better
- More art

Bad

- Population increase caused war
- More farming depletes land use
- H&G had more time for leisure
- Ag. more work