

TA Group: Recorded Session

1st Group: Why didn't all org. societies develop into urban civs?
 They developed different technology, had different environments, so had more trade that stimulated urbanization and technological development

	Cultural/Social	Religion	Political	Economic	Geographical	Technological
MesoAmerica	city states, urban planning ball games	N/A	competing chiefdoms	mostly Ag., with some hunting/gathering traded with beads.		Canoes, advanced architecture, metal smelting, writing, calendars
Indus River	early caste system	Beliefs in after-life women buried together	little hierarchy	Extensive distant + local trade	Indus river - connected to sea	Survey, indoor plumbing, cities
Mesopotamia	urbanized, law codes	pessimistic view subject to gods	hierarchy, upper class + slaves - independent city states - with kings	long distance trade, irrigation system, wheat + barley	Tigris and Euphrates River	writing - cuneiform - calendars
Egypt	River - ag based, socially stratified moderately urban,	Afterlife, Pharaohs Pharaoh = God King	Fairly stable, Monarchy united in 3100 BC political hierarchy	Extensive trade, few major disruptions	Nile river, natural barrier to stop invasion - deserts, seas, etc. Nile floods predictably	Advanced flood based calendar, advanced engineer, math

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 Chart of Civilizations