**Unit 1 – Ancient Civilizations Study Guide**

Each of the following terms or concepts will be on your unit exam. You are allowed to have one hand written 3X5 notecard (front and back) on this exam. You will be required to show this notecard to me ahead of time so I can make sure it meets these parameters.

**Potential Short Essay Questions**

* Argue the importance of rivers to ancient civilizations.
* Argue which civilization was the most successful.
* Argue the impact of gods on ancient civilizations.
* Argue which theme of geography has the biggest impact on the development of civilizations or culture.
* Argue which of the eight traits of culture has the greatest impact on the development of early cultures.
* Argue which of the five themes of civilization has the greatest impact on the development of early civilizations.
* Argue how far up Maslow’s Hierarchy of needs the Neolithic man was able to get.

**Terms and Concepts to Understand**

8 Traits of Culture Epic of Gilgamesh Fertile Crescent

5 Themes of Geography “Gifts” of the Nile Soul Devourer

5 Themes of Civilization Pharaoh’s Hard Power

Maslow’s Hierarchy of Needs Upper Egypt Soft Power

What makes a human a human Polytheism Machiavelli

Neolithic Revolution Monotheism The Prince

River Valley Civilization Ziggurat Assyrian Geography

Mesopotamia Mesopotamian Gods Assyrian Battle Tactics

Mesopotamian Afterlife Anubis Assyrian Hobbies

Sargon of Akkad Lower Egypt Ashurbanipal

City States Egyptian Economy Downfall Assyria

Kingdom Egyptian Religion

Hammurabi’s Code Egyptian Afterlife