

# Early Civilizations

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In this essay I will be talking about the early civilizations of the world. I will also be talking about the four main civilizations and what they did to become big. We'll start with the facts about the civilizations.

So these civilizations were mainly river valleys, by rivers, or between them. Basically you needed a river if you wanted to live. This was because this was the main way to get water, fish, and they used it for transportation. The main thing they used it for was irrigation. They used irrigation for farming to have food. Sometimes, they didn't need to irrigate fields because the natural area did it for them. This is because some areas had seasonal flooding. This would leave a substance that made the soil very fertile. This made it easy to farm. These civilizations built ways

to protect their buildings from the flooding so that it wouldn't have to rebuild their cities. Some, though, did have to rebuild their structured cities. There are four main early river valley civilizations; Mesopotamia, Huang or Yellow River Valley Civilization, Nile River Valley Civilization, and the Indus River Valley Civilization.

My favorite of these river valleys is Mesopotamia. This was located in the Middle East between the Tigris and Euphrates Rivers. It was often called the Land Between the Rivers. Mesopotamia was a large area, and there wasn't just one culture and civilization, there were many people in the area and many civilizations with different culture and religion.

Another was the Nile River Valley. This was just one civilization that had a polytheistic religion. This civilization was known as Ancient Egypt. Ancient Egypt was one of the biggest, strongest, and fastest growing early civilization there was. They were obviously located in modern

Egypt and other parts of Africa. Since most of their land was desert, they relied heavily on the Nile River that ran through the area for water and agriculture. The river valley was split into two different parts, the black land and the red land. The Red land was a desert that protected the civilization from invaders and the Black land was the arable land and that's where they farmed and built cities.

The last two are the Huang River Valley and the Indus River Valley. The Huang River Valley is located in China, While the Indus River Valley is located in India. They both had polytheistic religions. The Indus River Valley had one of the first plumbing systems in the world and had well organized cities.

This essay was about the early civilizations of the world. The four major ones included Mesopotamia in the Middle East, the Nile River Valley in Egypt, the Indus River Valley in India, and the Huang River Valley in China. I hope you've learned something and have enjoyed.

# Loui The Lemur

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Ever since Loui could remember he lived at the zoo. He had no parents, no brothers, and no sisters. It was just him in this weird place. People came to see him everyday. He thought at first they might have come to pick him up and take him to his family, but everyday they would just come and then leave. One day he was thinking to himself about how he could escape. He came up with a master plan. He was going to act like he was sick then when they opened the door he would run. He had the advantage, the people there thought they could trust him so they would just leave the door open. Also he can speak english.

The next day he ran out and kept on running until he go to a abandoned house. He saw a lemur in the corner of the room and the lemur was talking in english to himself. Loui asked the lemur if it would be his friend. She said yes and told him her name was Salamander. They decided to go to the zoo that was across the street and break out all the animals there.

The next day they went to the zoo next door. They went to a semi place and got one and drove it through the gate at the zoo. They shot all the people there with sleeping darts. First they broke out the lion. After it was out it tried to eat the lemurs. Loui and Salamander were too fast and they ran to the next animal to break out. After that, they broke out the aligators, but the aligators did not want out so they just stayed in there. After hours of breaking out the other animals

they broke out the meanest one, Big Bertha the biggest hippo alive. After letting it out it ran toward loui and Salamander and sat on them and then ate them.

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