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Unit 2: Early Human Life

Vocabulary & Activity Packet

“Chapter 1: The First Humans and the Paleolithic Era” Text

Questions/Responses

How are archaeologists different from anthropologists in terms of what they study?
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What are some of the examples of what an anthropologists would focus on when studying a society?
1) ______________________________________________________________________
2) ______________________________________________________________________
3) ______________________________________________________________________
4) ______________________________________________________________________

Look at the map on page 4. On which modern-day continents has there been evidence of the first humans?
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_________________________________________________________________________

Vocabulary

1) *prehistory* = ___________________________
   ___________________________
   ___________________________

2) *archaeology* = ___________________________
   ___________________________
   ___________________________

3) *anthropologists* = ___________________________
   ___________________________
   ___________________________
How do historians tell time?

**BC/BCE vs. AD/CE Time Periods**

Time periods are based upon where the year is in history compared to the Year 1 AD. The current year calendar we use is based upon the system developed hundreds of years ago by the Christian Church. Year 1 represents the year that Jesus was born (a significant date in the Christian religion).

- B.C. = ______________________
- A.D. = ______________________
- B.C.E. = ______________________
- C.E. = ______________________

**Examples:** 147 B.C. or 2000 B.C.E.  
**Examples:** A.D. 2015 or 1545 C.E.

Write the time era labels on the correct side of the timeline.

_________________ YEAR 1 CE _____________

Now it’s your turn! Put the following dates in chronological order – from the farthest in history to most recent year.

**You can list the years in chronological order or create a timeline below.**

**Pay attention to the labels; remember what they mean!**

**All Mixed Up!**

- 3500 B.C.
- A.D. 963
- 70 C.E.
- A.D. 1215
- 6500 B.C.E.
- 537 B.C.E.
- 50 C.E.
- 1039 B.C.
- 100 B.C.
- 1934 C.E.
- 815 C.E.
- 1 C.E.
- 16,000 B.C.
- A.D. 1715

**Correct Order:**
“The Paleolithic Life” Text

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| During the Paleolithic Era, what are some of the items that early humans made? | 4) Paleolithic Era = ____________________________  
| | *tools were built with ________________ |
| How did hunter-gatherers divide jobs between men and women? | 5) hunter-gatherers = ____________________________ |
| | 6) nomads = ____________________________ |
| What climate event pushed early humans to travel to other regions & continents in the world? | 7) Great Migration = ____________________________ |
| What are three examples of how Paleolithic people used art to communicate? | |
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| What could handprints in cave art possibly represent? | |
Questions/Responses

During the Neolithic Era, what are some examples of staple crops that were planted in different parts of the world?

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As people began to farm more, what types of areas did they look to settle/farm?

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What types of communities developed because of the Neolithic Revolution (shift to farming)?

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What animals that were domesticated by early humans?

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What happened to the size of populations in communities because of food surpluses?

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How did the division of labor change because of food surpluses?

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What materials did tools start to be made out of in early human villages during and after the Neolithic Age?

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Vocabulary

8) Neolithic Era = ___________________________

year range: _______________________________

9) sedentary = _____________________________

_____________________________

10) domesticate = ___________________________

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11) Neolithic Revolution (Agricultural Revolution) =

_______________________________________

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12) irrigation system = ______________________

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13) surplus = ______________________________

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