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1. What field has allowed us to find out more about ancient civilizations?

2. After Harappa declined, who moved into the area?

3. In Ancient Mesopotamia, we saw the importance of the Tigris and Euphrates Rivers, what rivers are foundational to India?

4. How do we know that Harappa traded extensively?

5. What kind of writing did the Indus Valley civilization use?

6. Describe the Aryan view of kingship.

7. What role does Sanskrit play in the linguistic patterns of the Indo-European languages?

8. How was society divided in Ancient India? Be sure to know the societal role each varna served.

9. During the later Vedic period, we see the beginnings of Hinduism, who’s earliest layer is called _________________________.

10. As we move through India’s history, we see that varnas become firmly established social castes. Who formed the lowest caste? What was their societal responsibilities?

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11. Who is Siddhartha Gautama?

12. Was nirvana reserved for one specific varna or caste in Buddhism?

13. Ashoka produced many religious based edicts. Which religion did Ashoka convert to?

14. As Buddhism spread, two distinctive schools developed. What are two major branches in Buddhism? How do they differ?

15. The Bhagavad-Gita is part of a larger work called ______________________.

16. Who is the major character in the Bhagavad-Gita?

17. What evidence supports the statement that the Gupta Age was a “classical age” in India?

18. Islam makes its way into India in the 8th century. After Mahmud of Ghazna, we see the Delhi Sultanate, what was it?