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"Toward Civilization"
Pre-video learning



We will be learning about ancient civilizations this year. What do you think makes a group of people a *civilization*?

Please scan and use information from pages 25, 27 and 33-37 of your textbook to help you define the following terms ***in your own words***. [HINT: Use the sentences around the word.]

- archaeology:
- artifact:
- excavate:
- prehistory:
- migrate:
- homo erectus:
- homo sapiens:

Before video:

Taking notes during a video can be tough... You can be tempted to zone out, the narrator can speak quickly, and you can't re-read a fact you missed like you can in a book.

What strategies have you used that help make taking notes from a video easier?



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“Toward Civilization”

Let’s practice! We are going to watch a video documentary today. This movie discusses and reenacts different *theories* about the origins of the human species.

Try to answer as many questions as you can, but do not worry if you don’t hear the answer to every single question. It is more important that you focus on the main ideas in the video. We will review important information and you can take notes based on our discussion following the movie.

“Before We Ruled the Earth”

How did sharp tools help early hominids?

How did homo erectus use fire?

What did homo erectus use to keep fires lit?

What artifacts have archaeologists found at Box Grove that suggest that homo erectus hunted?

Neanderthals: A Chilly Life

What animal did Neanderthals hunt?

What did Neanderthals use for houses?

How did the Ice Age make life difficult for Neanderthals?

Why do scientists think that Neanderthals could talk?

Why did Neanderthals develop big noses?

Why do we know more about the Neanderthal than any about any earlier human?

What advantage does this hominid have over Neanderthals?

What species of hominid does the video show the Neanderthal meeting?

"Secrets of the Ice Man"

How did Utzi the "Ice Man" die?

What artifacts were found with Utzi?

What evidence suggests that Utzi could have been a shepherd?

What evidence suggests that Utzi was NOT a shepherd?

Post learning thoughts:

What archaeological evidence indicates that hunting was important to early man?

List evidence that shows how early man *adapted* to their environment.

List two questions that you still have about the lives of early humans.

What do you think caused some humans to stop migrating and build permanent cities?