

Create your own civilization

Now that we have learned about the elements of a civilization, you will create your own. You can format this as a slideshow to present to the class.

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You must include all of the following:

***Geography**-Pick a location to build your civilization. You can pick any place on Earth, but make sure that you can explain these two things about your location:

1. How will this location sustain crops and livestock?
2. How will this location be advantageous for defense against attacks?

***Map**-After you have chosen your territory for your civilization, then you need to map out your territory. You should draw an aerial map of your civilization that shows where the following things are:

1. market
2. temple
3. town square
4. villages (houses)
5. farmland
6. roads
7. government buildings (palace, court, capital)

***Name**-Come up with a name for your civilization.

***Flag**-Design a flag that your civilization could carry into battle. Your flag can be drawn on paper or created online.

***Stable food supply**-name at least 3 crops you are going to grow and at least 2 animals that you are going to raise.

***Specialization of labor**-describe at least 5 jobs that people would need to do in your civilization. Include the job title (scribe, farm hand, canal digger), job description (what will the person be expected to do in this job?) and salary (what will they receive for their work?)

***System of government**-you need to decide what type of government your civilization will be using. You have 4 choices: 1. Monarchy-government in which a royal family rules the nation (King-Queen) 2. Oligarchy-government in which a small group of "important" people rule a nation 3. Democracy-government in which people make important decisions for their own nation; this is usually done through representatives 4. Theocracy-government in which a God or gods rule through people because the whole country shares the same religion; this is usually done through priests.

After choosing a form of government answer these questions:

1. Why did you choose this type of government?
2. How will the government run in a manner that helps the civilization?

***Social Levels/Classes**-Create a chart that illustrates the social classes of your civilization. You can divide it up by jobs, age, or any other way a society might be subdivided. You need at least 3 different tiers in your chart. Your chart will also explain why you put each group in their position.

***Laws**-Come up with at least 10 laws that your society will have to follow. Make sure you include a punishment to match each law. Devise a plan to inform every person about the laws (tablets, statue)

***Writing**-Please produce sample writing from your civilization that relates to how society functions. It can be a fictitious creation story of how your city was founded OR you may develop your society's own written language. Including alphabet (with translation) and an example of writing in your own language

***Religion/Gods**-What does your civilization's religion look like? Is there more than one Deity? If so, what purpose do those deities serve in everyday life?

***Art**-Produce 3 pieces of artwork that you feel imitates life in your civilization. Why? Justify your answer by pointing to specific evidence

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