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As you read, be thinking about how geography affected the development of civilization. ALSO think about how civilizations affected each other. Look at the map on page 25. Notice how the civilizations were spread across the world. What might have been some similarities between them?

- 1) available fresh water 2) moderate climate 3) fertile soil 4) geographic protection

Vocabulary Words, People, Places and Key Points:

LI Egypt p. 26

The Nile River: This was the LONGEST river in the world and it was critical to life in Egypt.

- 1) _____ 3) _____
 2) _____ 4) _____

The Nile flowed from _____ to _____, then emptied into the Mediterranean Sea. Note map on page 27. What is unusual about Upper/Lower Egypt because of this?

Geography helped to protect Egypt 1) Desert -

- HOW? 2) The Red Sea-
 3) The Mediterranean Sea -

Life in Egypt was stable and constant, unlike in _____, where violent _____ were unpredictable and there was a constant threat from _____. The floods of the Nile were easy to _____ and _____, because they came at the same time each year. These floods left behind _____ which increased soil _____ and provided food.

Polytheistic -

Dynasty -

Pharaoh -

Bureaucracy

Three Major Periods: Old Kingdom, Middle Kingdom, New Kingdom

Old Kingdom (2700 BC-2200 BC)

Egyptians believed in _____, so they invented a process to _____ the body and to prevent decomposition. This was known as _____. It was a very complex process (see p. 28) and was expensive, so mostly only _____ people, especially the pharaohs, were mummified.

_____ were great _____ to house the bodies of the _____. Incredible _____ was needed for this process and much of how they built these pyramids is still a _____ today. Two examples of great pyramids are _____'s Pyramid and the _____ Pyramid, which are guarded by the _____ (body of a _____ with the head of a _____).

After the Old Kingdom collapsed, the Middle Kingdom was restored after about _____ years.

The Middle Kingdom was known for:

- 1 Strength -
- 2 Stability -

- 3 Expansion -
- 4 Trade -

Social Structure - was like a pyramid as well: Top: _____>>>>>_____

>>> _____>>> but most people were _____.

They usually had arranged marriages for boys around age _____, and for girls around _____.

Women were more _____ in Egypt than in most other places. They could even own _____ and _____.

Accomplishments -

Hieroglyphics -

Geometry -

Calendar -