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# **History 103**

## **World History to 1500**

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<b>September 9</b>	<b>Exam 1 (CH. 1-4)</b>
<b>September 18</b>	<b>Smithsonian Museum Day</b>
<b>September 21</b>	<b>Article 2 selection deadline (Chapters 5 – 7)</b>
<b>September 28</b>	<b>Article 2 Review due</b>
<b>October 7</b>	<b>Lecture at USS AL by author of “Speed”, the biography of test pilot Bob Gilliland – first man to fly the SR-71</b>



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The Life of a Test Pilot and Birth of an American Icon



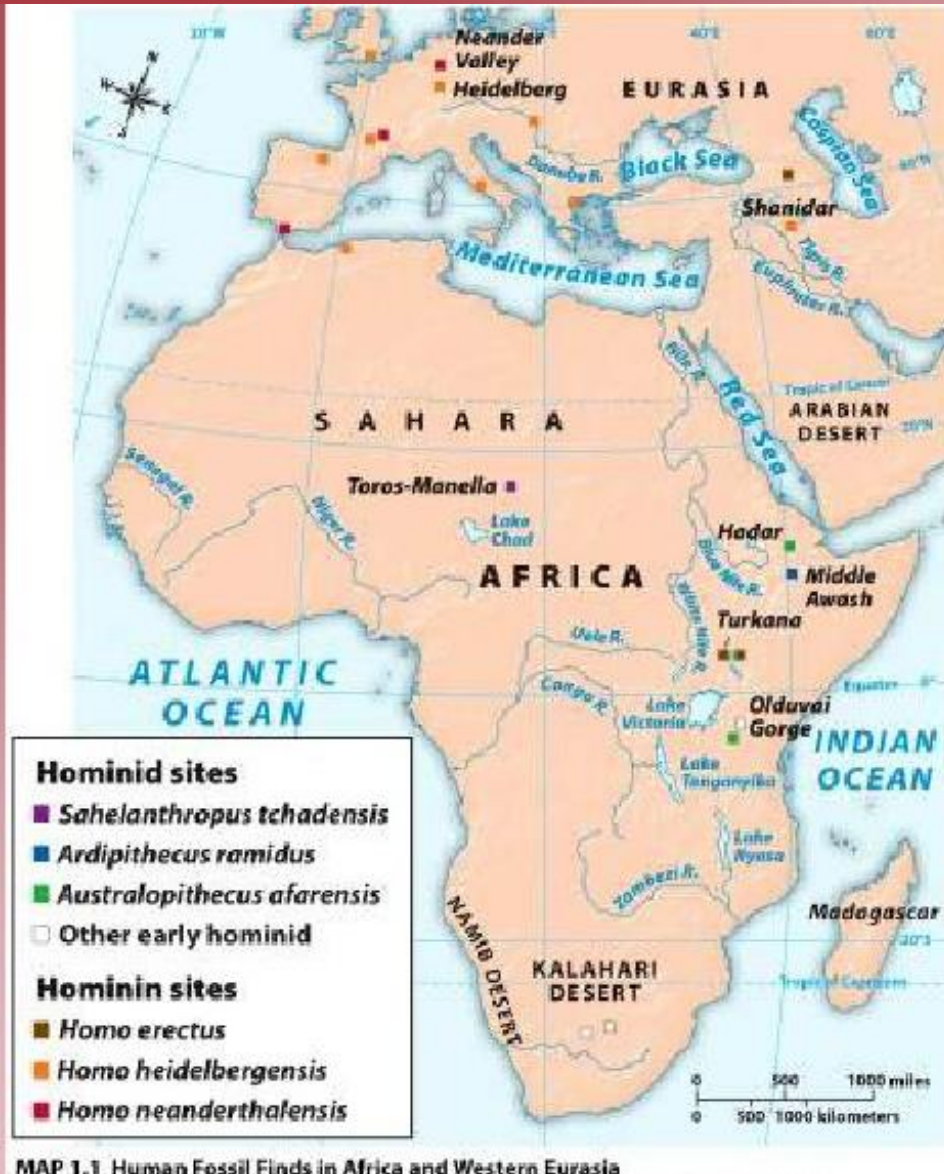
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**6:00 pm**

**Medal of Honor Aircraft Pavilion**  
**USS Alabama Battleship Memorial Park**

Foreword by **CHESLEY "SULLY" SULLENBERGER**



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**Australopithecus (1924)**

**“Southern Ape”**

**- makes simple tools**

**Leakey (1960) - Homo habilis**

**- “Skillful Man”**

**Homo erectus (1891 - Java)**

**“Erect Man”**

**Homo sapien**

*anatomically modern humans*

**“Wise Man”**

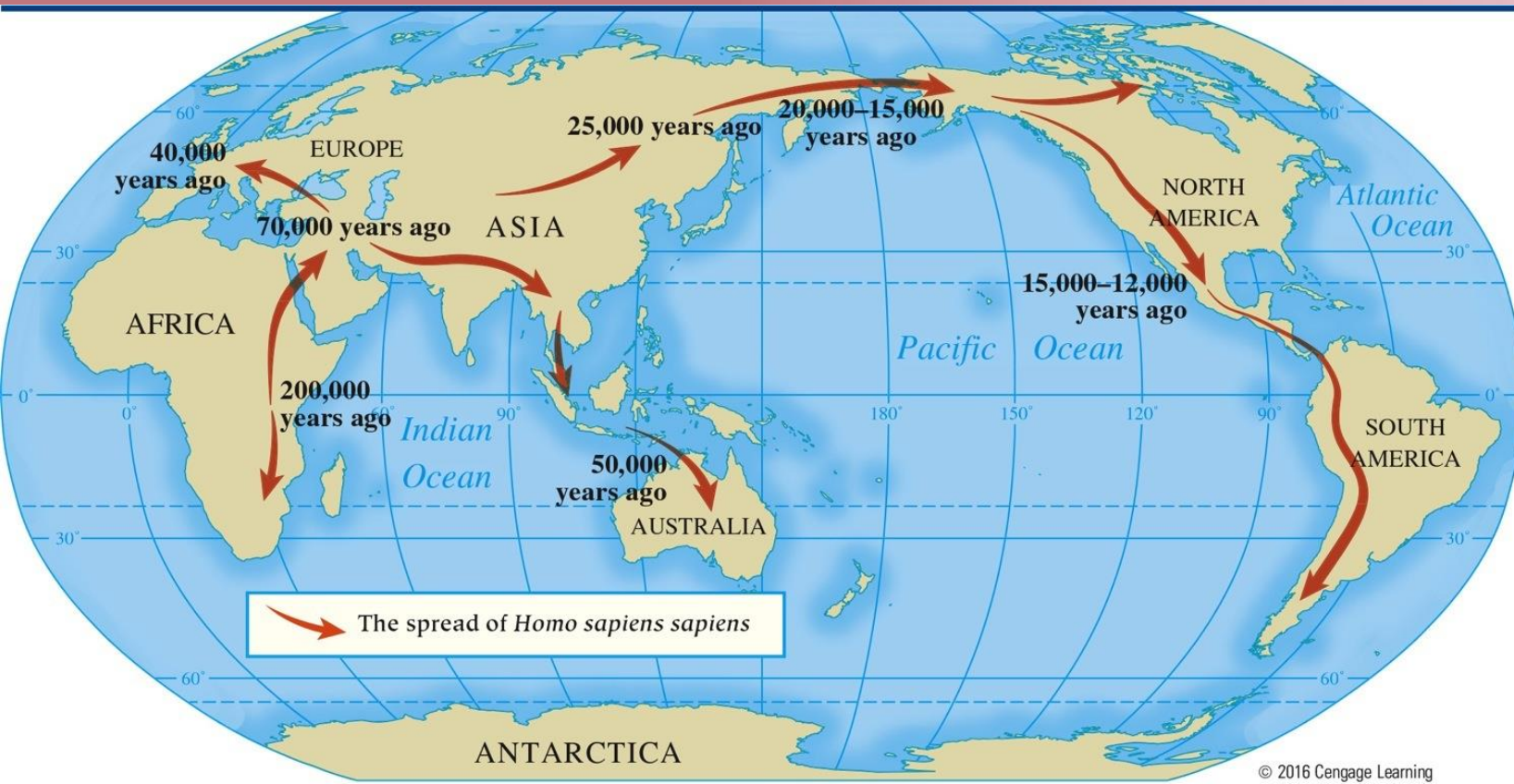
**Homo sapien sapien**

**“Wise Wise Man”**

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## Out of Africa

- 1. Hominin Migrations
- 2. Ice Ages
- 3. Human Adaptation to the Natural World



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## **The “Greatest” Tool....**





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## The “Greatest” Tool....







# History of Western Civilization

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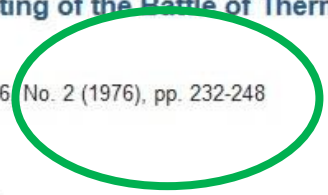
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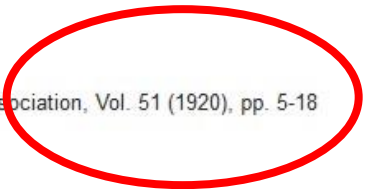
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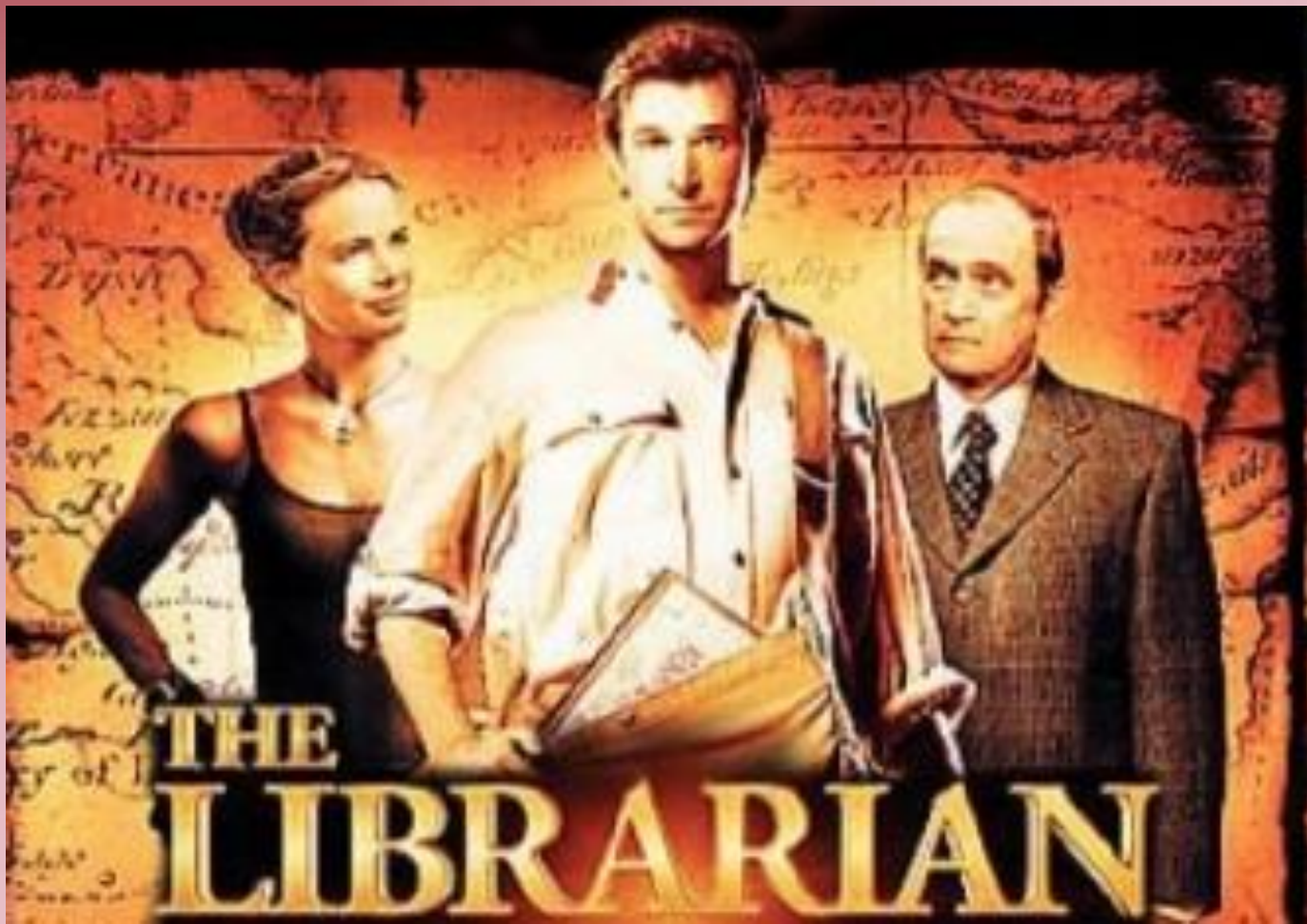
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*OR..... Use the wise student's Secret Weapon.....*



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## **The Earliest Humans**

*(~10,000+ years ago)*

*Hunters*

*Gatherers*

*Food Producers*

*“Battle of the Sexes”*



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## **Patriarchy**

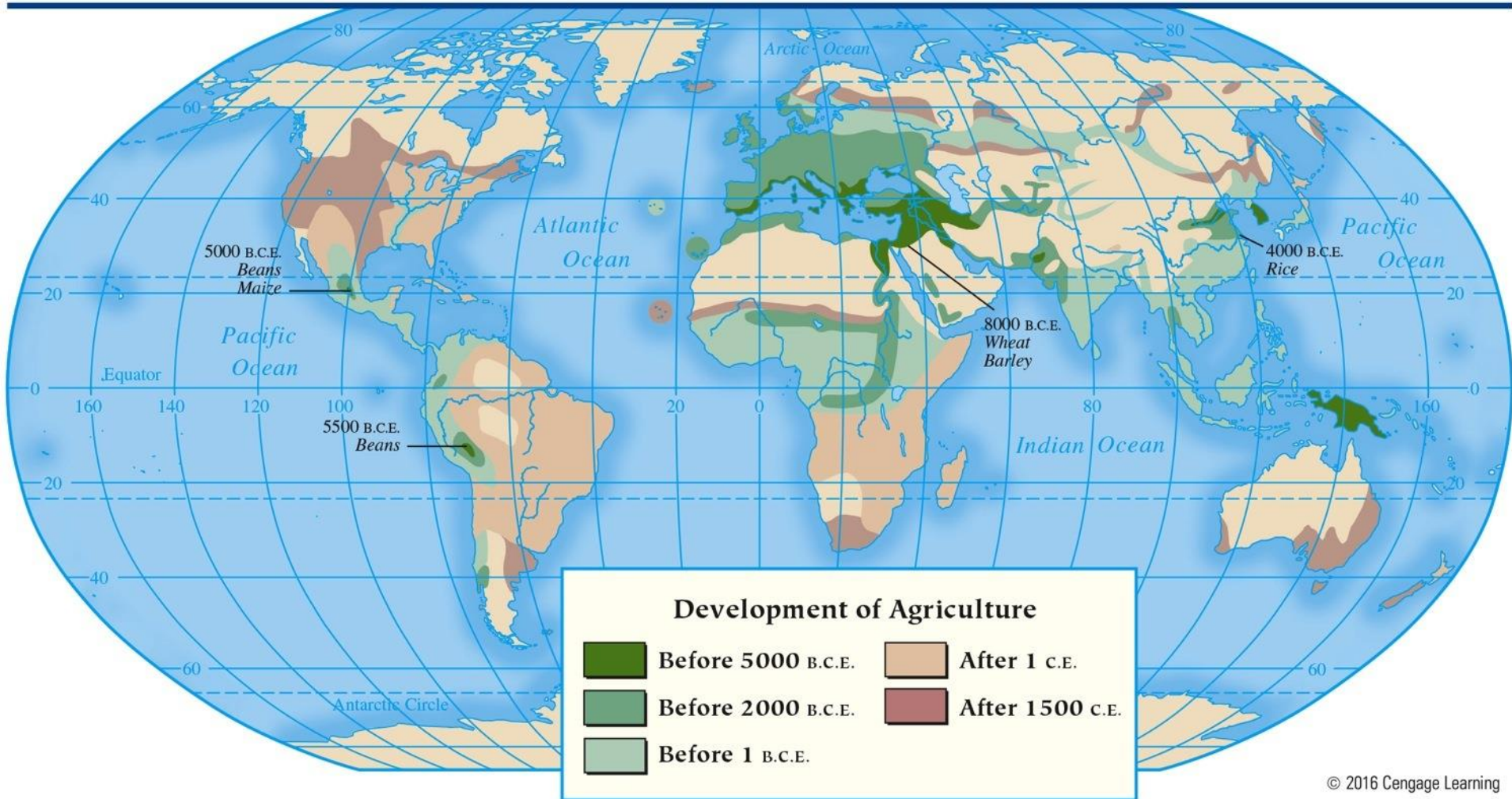
**hunter-gatherer societies were relatively egalitarian**

**patriarchal social structures did not develop until social and technological innovations such as agriculture and domestication**

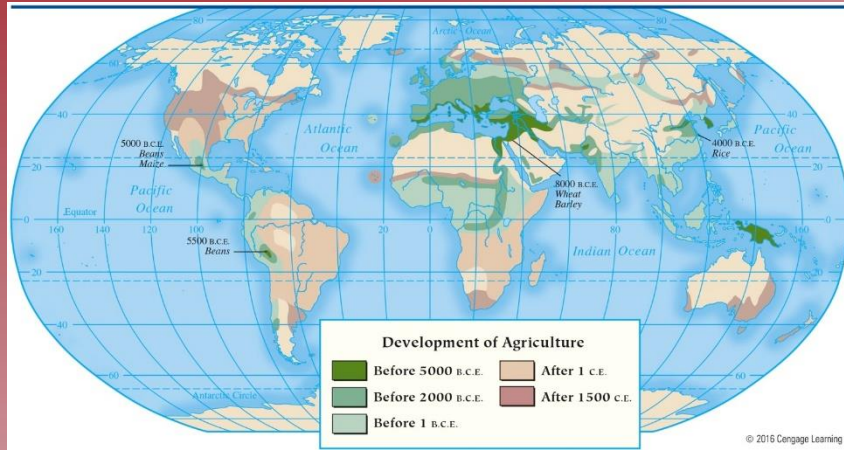




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## Characteristics of Civilization (page 10)

1. **Urban Focus**
2. **New political & military structures**
3. **New social structure based on economic power**
4. **Development of more complexity in material sense**
5. **Distinct religious structure**
6. **Development of writing**
7. **New forms of significant artistic and intellectual activity**

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## Early River Valley Civilizations



## Hydraulic Civilizations

Governments centered around the **control of water** as a critical aspect of irrigation and/or flood control.



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## Early River Valley Civilizations

### Hydraulic Civilizations

**Mesopotamia**  
(Tigris and Euphrates)

**Egypt** (Nile River)

**Harappa** (Indus)

**China** (Huang He/  
Yellow & Yangzi)



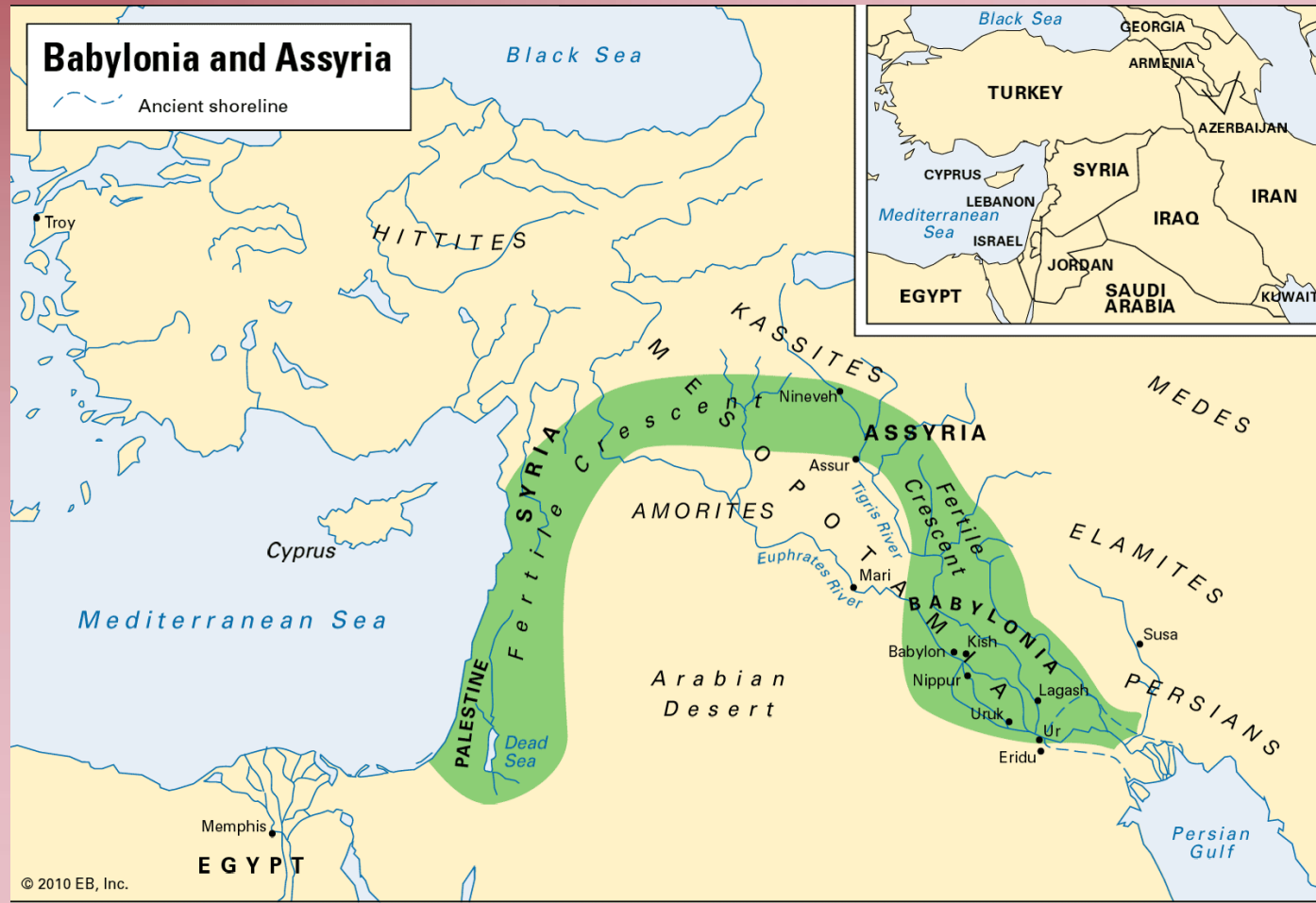


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## The First Civilizations in Mesopotamia

*“Land between the Rivers”*

*“Civilization”*  
=  
*Cities*



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## **The First Civilizations in Mesopotamia**

**Sumer**  
(Gilgamesh)

**Before 4,000 BC – 1,800 BC**



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## The First Civilizations in Mesopotamia

### Babylon

(The Code of Hammurabi)

~1770 BC



**IF...  
THEN**



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## The Code of Hammurabi primitive constitution or judicial decisions

***IF...  
THEN***



“If any one is committing a robbery and is caught, then he shall be put to death.”

“If any one open his ditches to water his crop, but is careless, and the water flood the field of his neighbor, then he shall pay his neighbor corn for his loss.”

“If a man be guilty of incest with his daughter, he shall be driven from the place (exiled).”

“If a man knock out the teeth of his equal, his teeth shall be knocked out.”

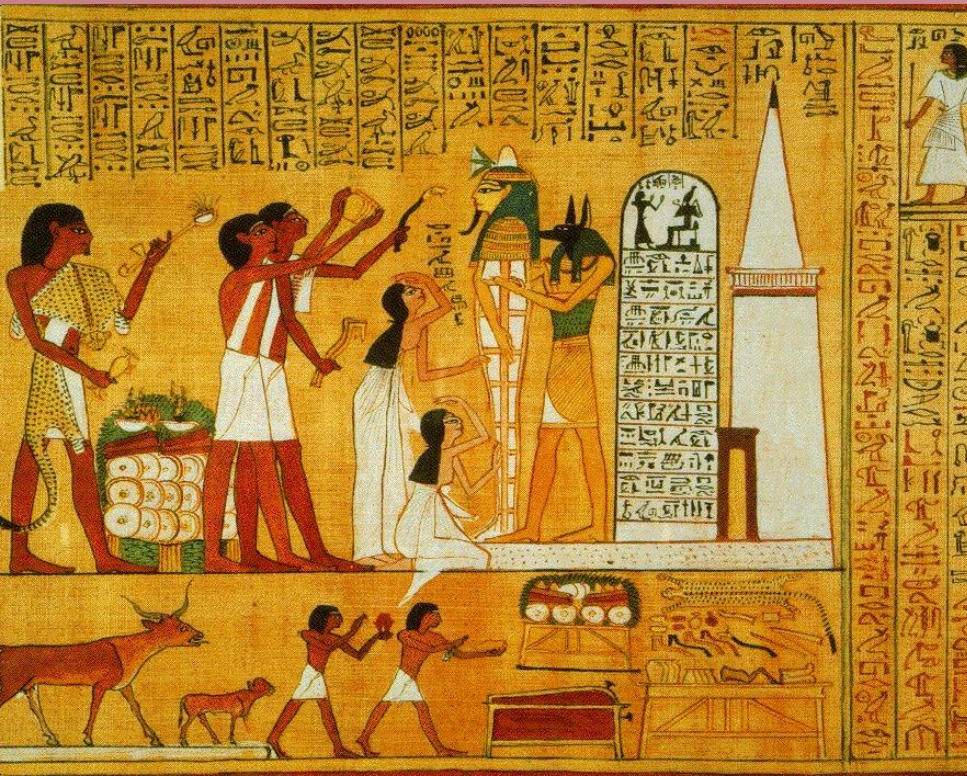
“If a physician heal the broken bone or diseased soft part of a man, the patient shall pay the physician five shekels in money.”



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## Egypt

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## Land of the Nile

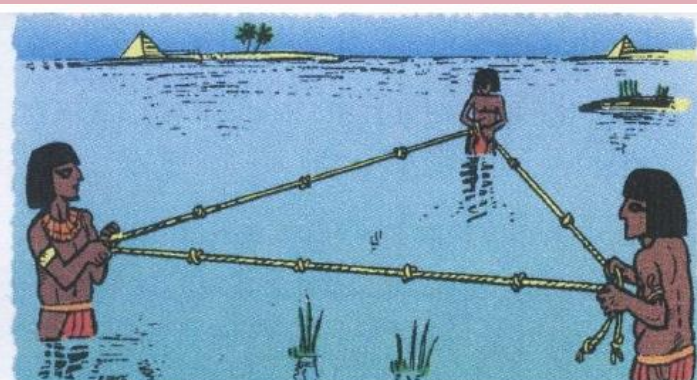
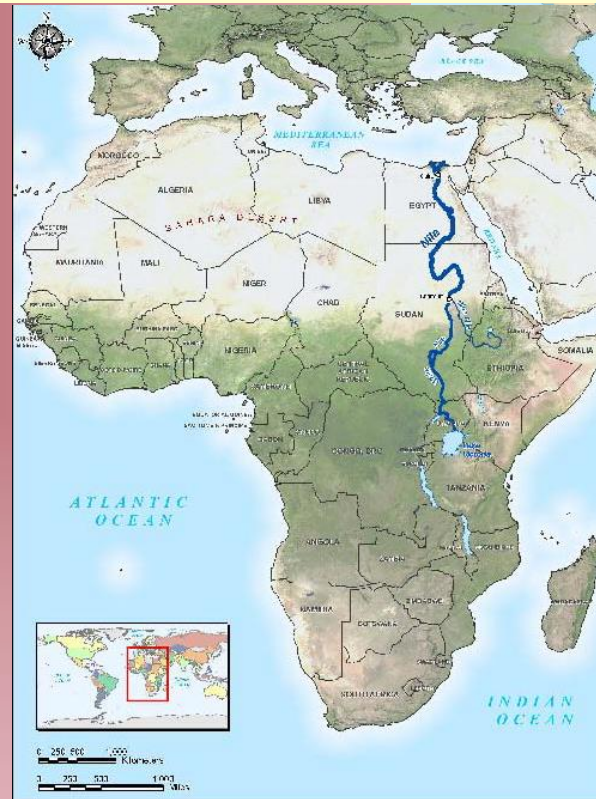
Longest river in the world

4,258 miles

(Mississippi – 2,320 miles)

Fall Floods – most effective fertilizer  
until the cow

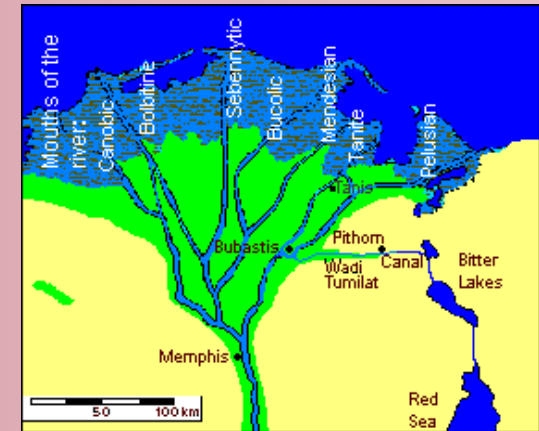
North Winds and North flowing  
current permits navigation



*Babylonians may have used trig. first ~1800 BC*

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## Egypt



OLD KINGDOM	MIDDLE KINGDOM	NEW KINGDOM
<p>Pharaohs organized a strong central state, were absolute rulers, and were considered gods.</p> <p>Egyptians built pyramids at Giza.</p> <p>Power struggles, crop failures, and cost of pyramids contributed to the collapse of the Old Kingdom.</p>	<p>Large drainage project created arable farmland.</p> <p>Traders had contacts with Middle East and Crete.</p> <p>Corruption and rebellions were common.</p> <p>Hyksos invaded and occupied the delta region.</p>	<p>Powerful pharaohs created a large empire that reached the Euphrates River.</p> <p>Hatshepsut encouraged trade.</p> <p>Ramses II expanded Egyptian rule to Syria.</p> <p>Egyptian power declined.</p>



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## **Egypt**

### **Canal of the Pharaohs** (forerunner of the Suez Canal)

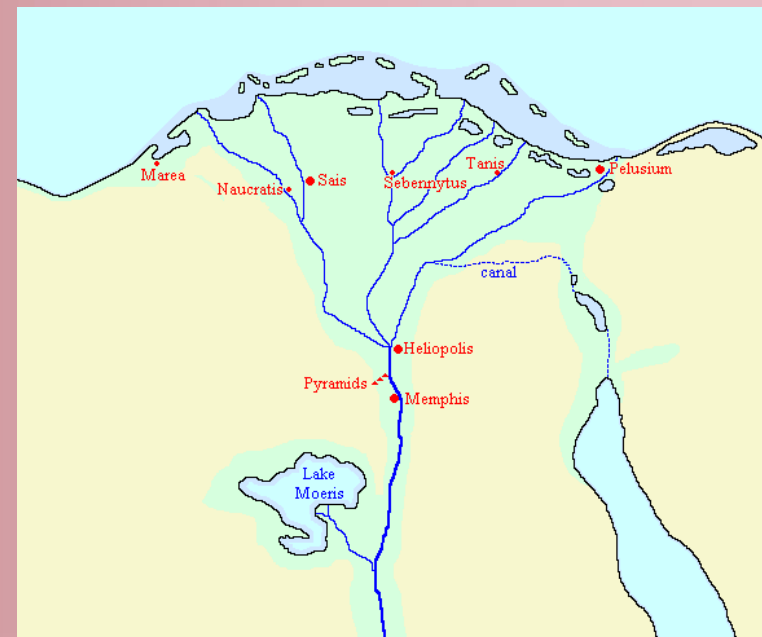
**Connect the Nile River and the Red Sea**

**At least an idea – 1800 BC**

**Darius I worked on it – 500 BC**

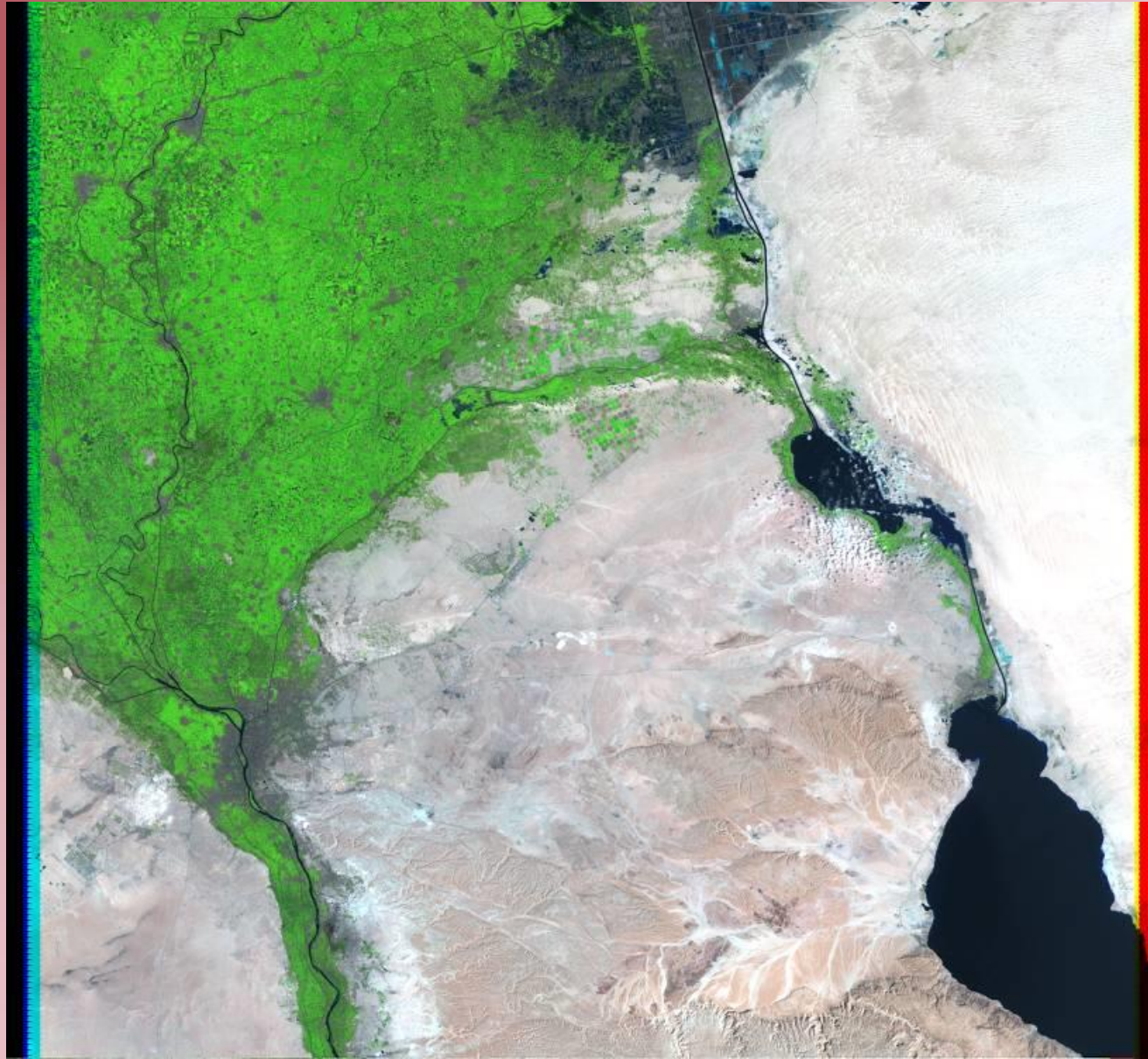
**Ptolemy II invented water lock – 274 BC**

**Napoleon found ruins – 1798 AD**





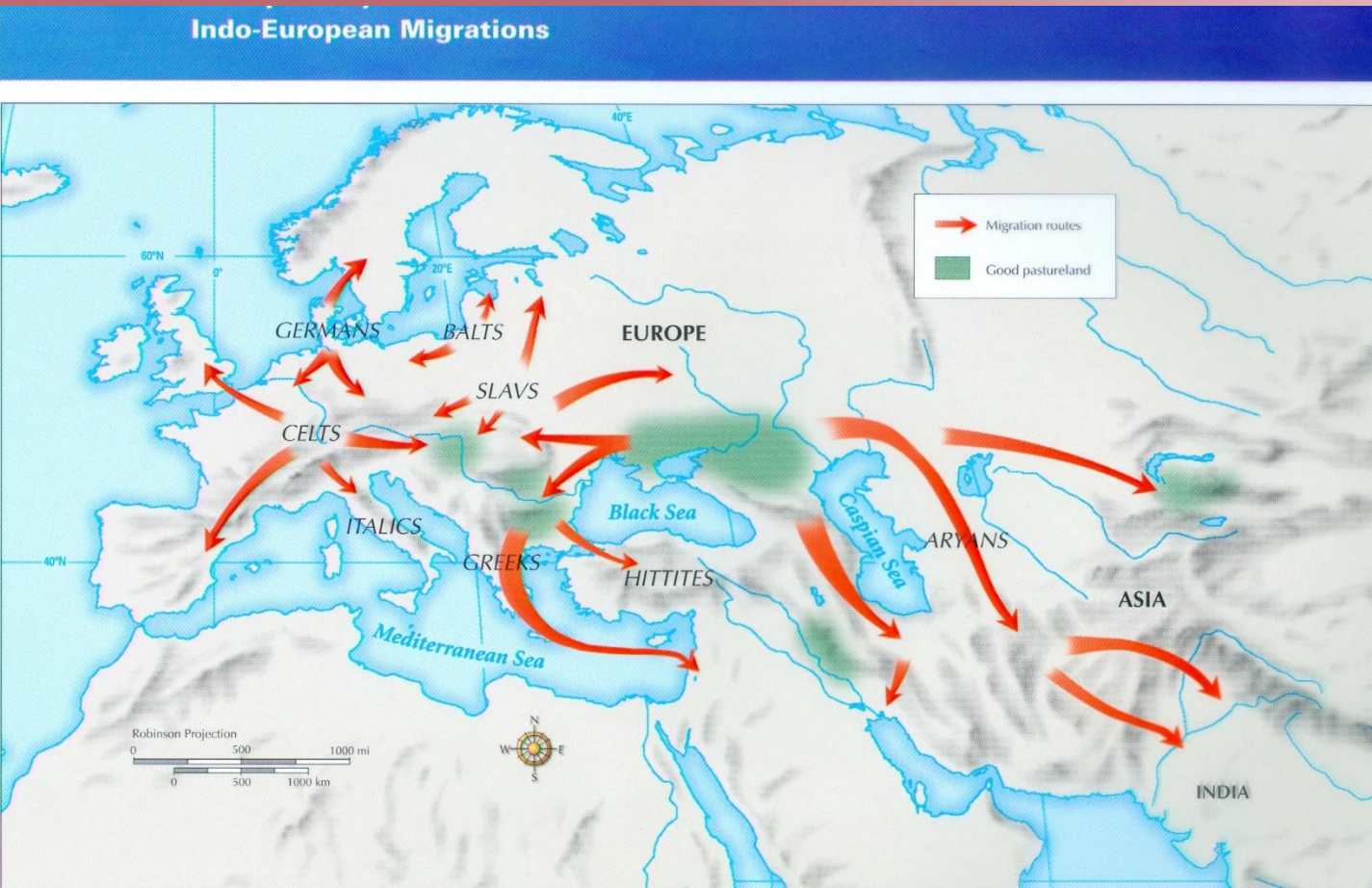
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## What is “Indo-European”?

*a family of several hundred related languages and dialects*

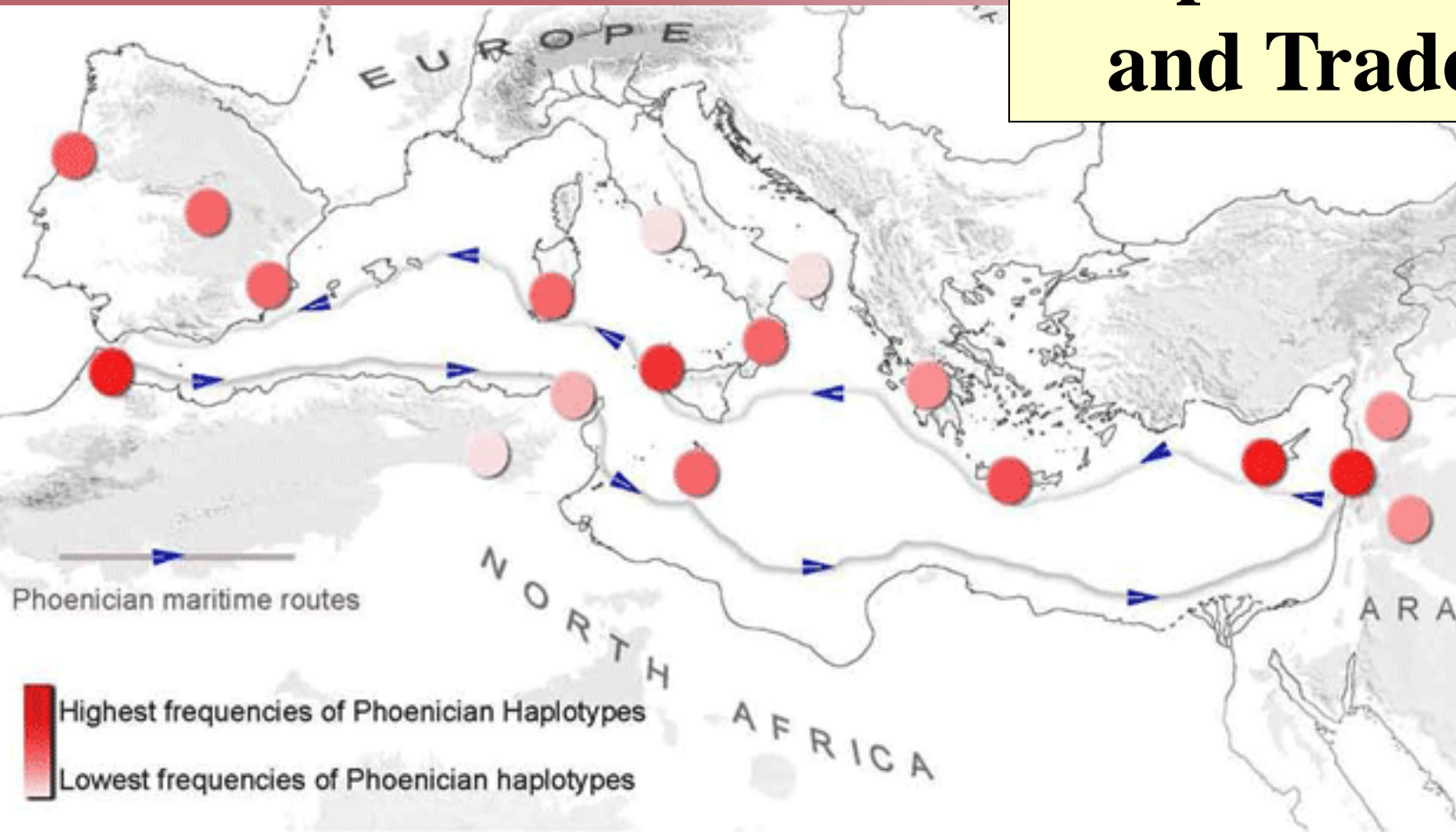


**Work  
backwards  
to a  
common  
ancestor**



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## Phoenician Exploration and Trade



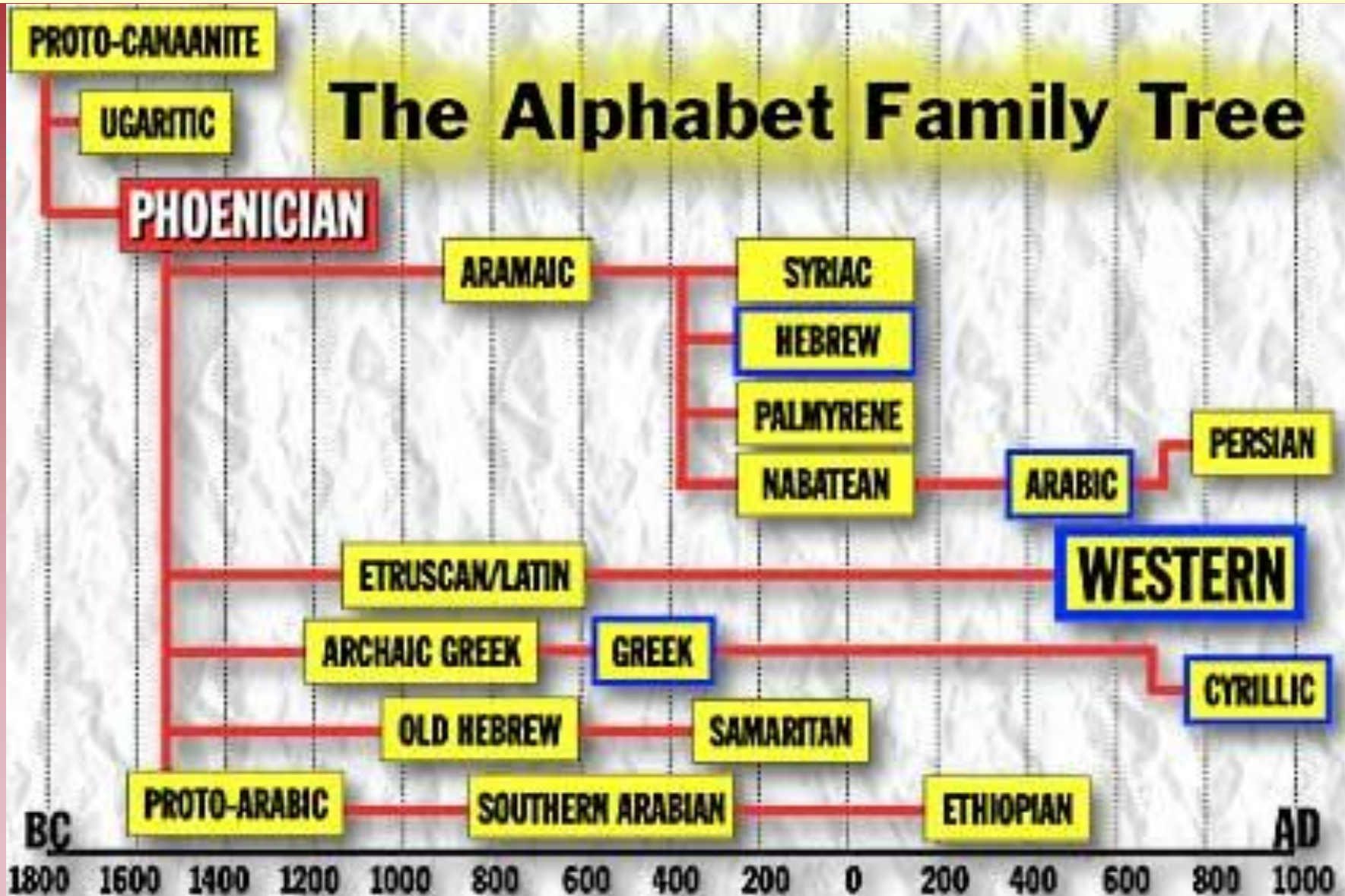
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Modern Roman	A	B	G	D	E	F	Z	H	I	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T		
Early Latin	A	B	<	▷	E	F	Z	H	z	K	L	M	N	O	Γ	Q	P	↳	T		
Greek	Α	Δ	Γ	Δ	Ε	Ζ	Η	Θ	Ϝ	Ϟ	Ϡ	Ϣ	ϣ	Ϟ	Π	Ϙ	Ρ	Σ	Τ		
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Early Aramaic	𐤀	𐤁	𐤂	𐤃	𐤄	𐤅	𐤆	𐤇	𐤈	𐤉	𐤊	𐤋	𐤌	𐤍	𐤎	𐤏	𐤐	𐤑	𐤒	𐤓	𐤔
Nabataean	𐤀	𐤁	𐤂	𐤃	𐤄	𐤅	𐤆	𐤇	𐤈	𐤉	𐤊	𐤋	𐤌	𐤍	𐤎	𐤏	𐤐	𐤑	𐤒	𐤓	𐤔
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## The Alphabet Family Tree

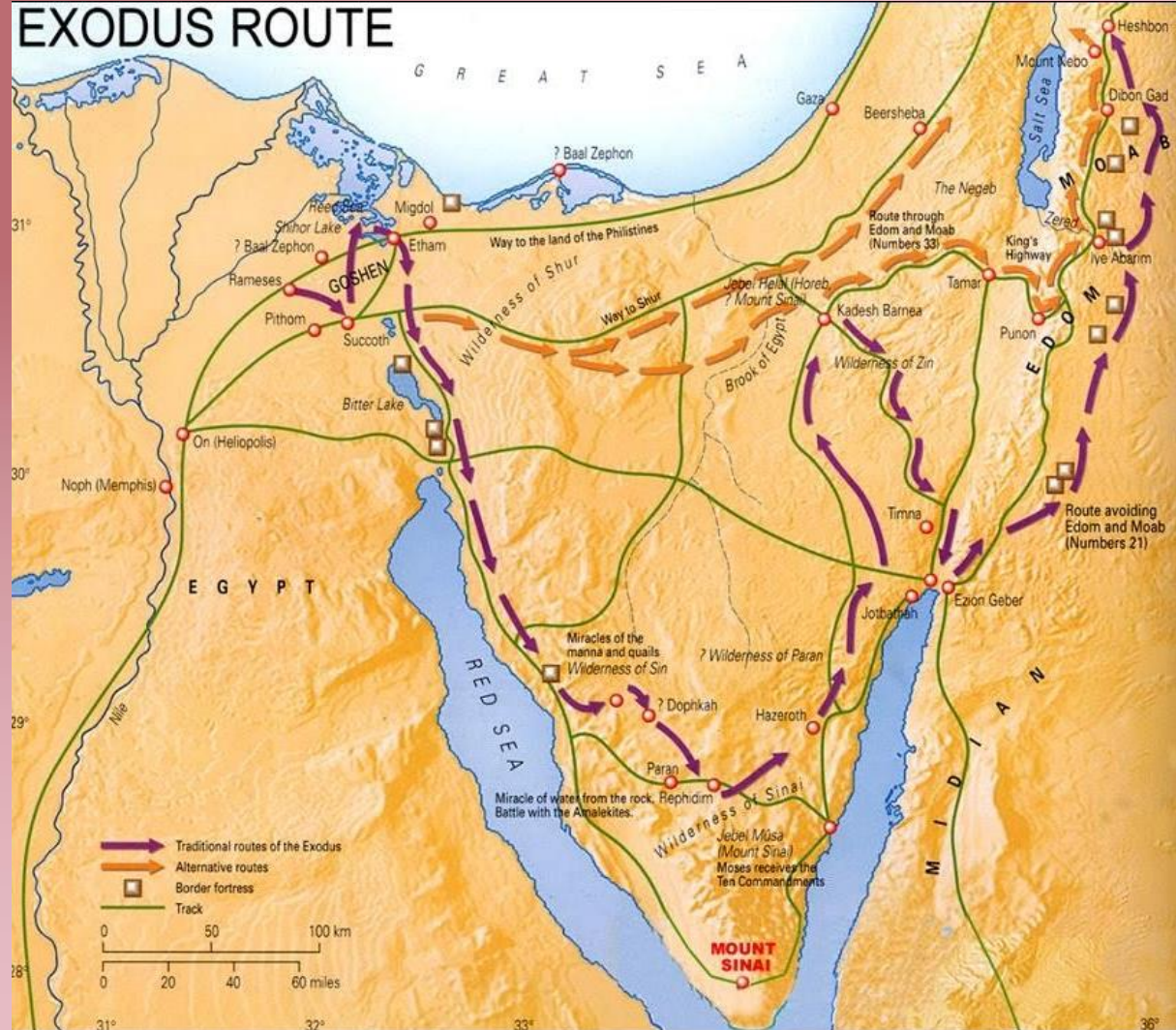




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## Kadesh

Hebrew Exodus  
(1240-1230 BC)



Book of Numbers, Chapters 13-14



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## Battle of Kadesh

1274 BC

Egyptians vs Hittites



Hebrew Exodus  
(1240-1230 BC)



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## Hebrew Society And the Bible

Monotheism  
Moses  
Messiah





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## **Hebrew Society And the Bible**

**Monotheism**

**Moses**

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## *World History* **And the Bible**

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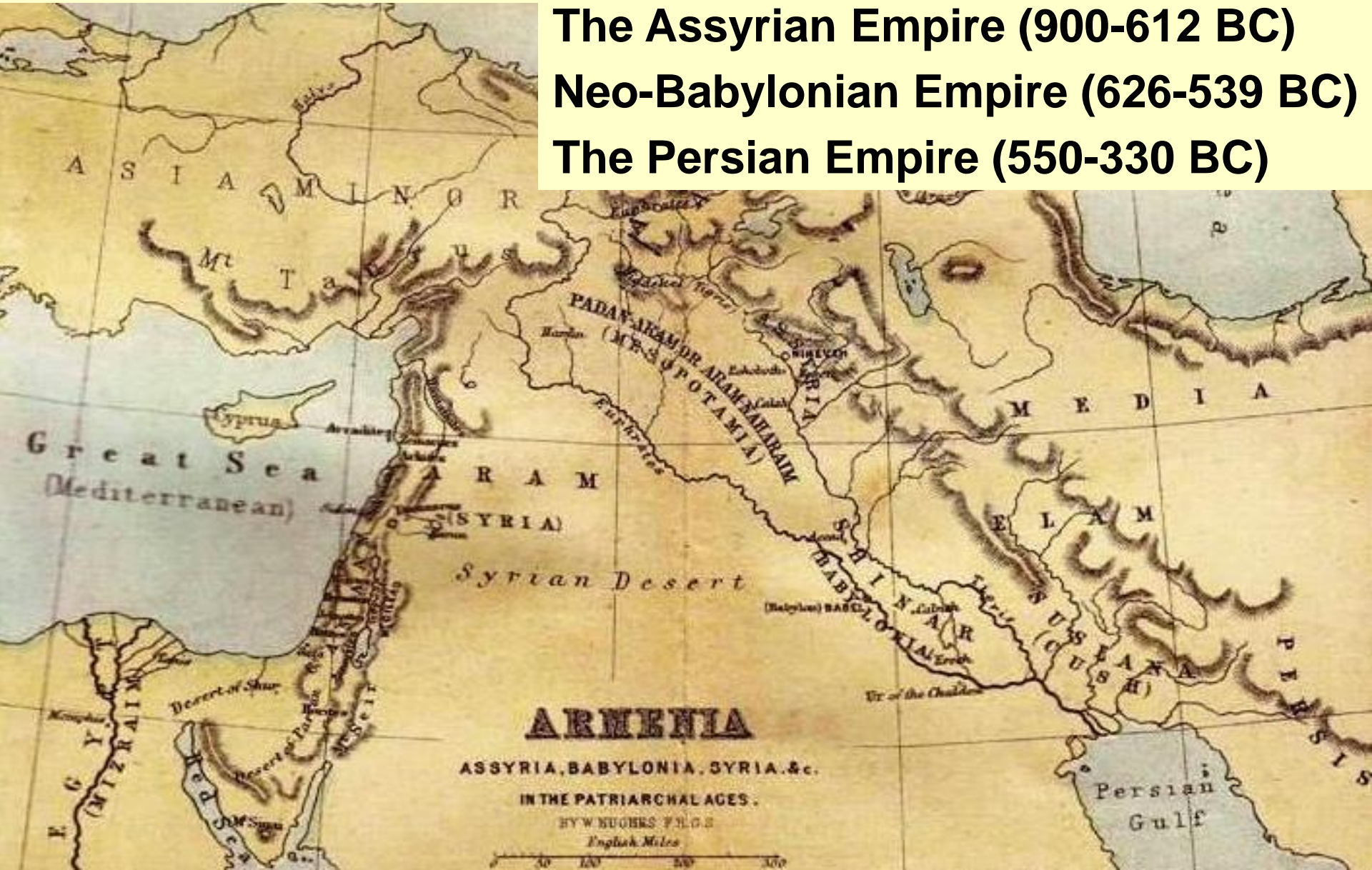
May-not  
Supposedly Perhaps  
Allegedly Some  
Roughly Challenged Mostly  
Many May Various  
Might  
Confronted Possibly  
no-definitive-evidence  
Mostly-accept Commonly

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**The Assyrian Empire (900-612 BC)**

**Neo-Babylonian Empire (626-539 BC)**

**The Persian Empire (550-330 BC)**





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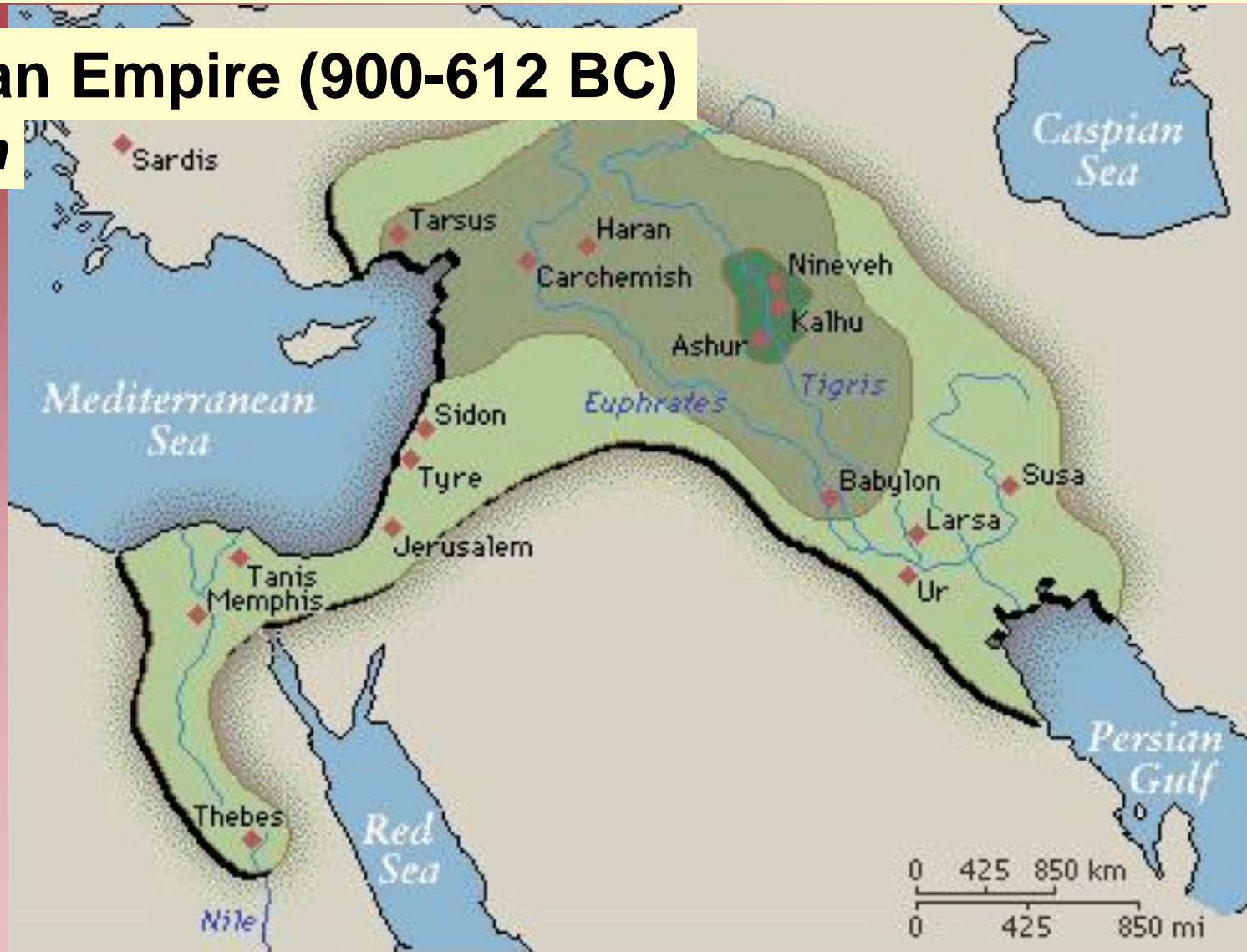
## The Assyrian Empire (900-612 BC)

### Neo-Assyrian

Ashur

Nineveh

Conquest  
of Levant  
and Egypt

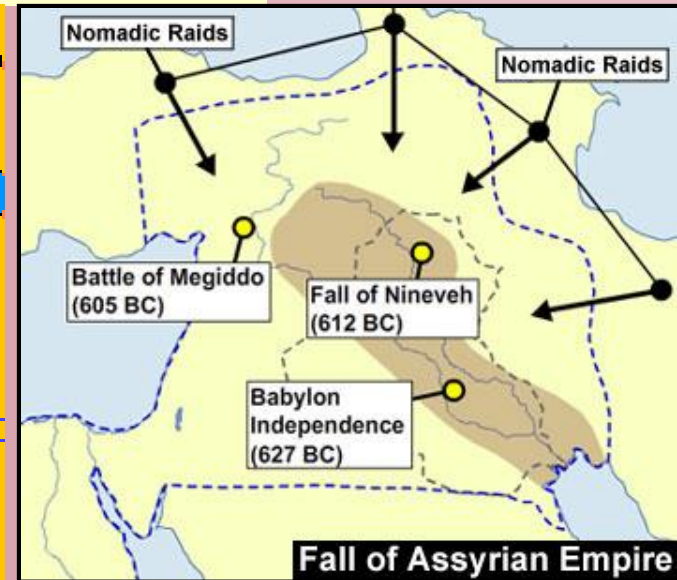


ASSYRIAN EMPIRE 1800 - 1600 BC 1244 - 1208 BC 699 - 627 BC



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## The Neo-Babylonian Empire (626-539 BC)



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## **The Neo-Babylonian Empire (626-539 BC)**

### *Shadrach Meshach and Abednego*

*Book of Daniel  
chapters 1-3*





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## **The Persian Empire (550-330 BC)** *Neo-Persian*





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## Zoroastrianism

Ancient Religion from Iran



Zarathustra's teachings contained 17 hymns

10<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup> century BC

Influenced Jewish concepts including:  
devil, hell, an afterlife,  
the resurrection, end of the world

