

Nomads	Groups of people who move from place to place in search of food with no permanent home
Artifact	An object made by human beings; often refers to a primitive tool from an earlier period
Fossil	Any trace of an organism that lived in the past. human, animal, plant
Domestication	Breeding plants or/and animals to the advantage of humans.
Neolithic Revolution	A period when humans first started to learn to plant crops and domesticate animals for their food, instead of hunting and gathering
Paleolithic Revolution	Old Stone Age when humans survived in small groups, were nomadic, and hunted and gathered.
Social Hierarchy (class system)	The division of society by rank or class.
Civilization	a society that has a city, religion, government, writing, social classes, technology (art)
Mandate of Heaven	Chinese rulers believed that this was a blessing from the gods that gave them the power to rule
Cultural Diffusion	The spread of cultural elements from one society to another

Republic	A form of government in which citizens choose their leaders by voting and have a type of constitution
Democracy	A government by the people where citizens vote directly and for their representatives
Oligarchy	A government ruled by a few powerful people
Monarchy	A government in which power is in the hands of a single person like a king, emperor, or pharaoh
Polytheism	Belief in many gods
Silk Road	An ancient trade route between China and the Mediterranean Sea extending some 4,000 miles and linking China with the Roman Empire.
Empire	A group of states or territories controlled by one ruler
Hammurabi	King of the Babylonian empire; creator of the Code of Laws, one of the world's oldest.
Socrates/ Plato / Aristotle	Greek Philosophers
Emperor Qin	First unified emperor of China

Augustus	The first emperor of Rome whose leadership brought about a long period of Pax Romana (Roman Peace).
Julius Caesar	General who becomes dictator of Rome.
Alexander the Great	conquered most of the ancient world from Asia Minor to Egypt and India, which began the Hellenistic culture
Pericles	Athenian leader noted for advancing democracy in Athens and for ordering the construction of the Parthenon.
Constantine	Emperor of the Roman Empire who moved the capital to Constantinople and eventually converted to Christianity