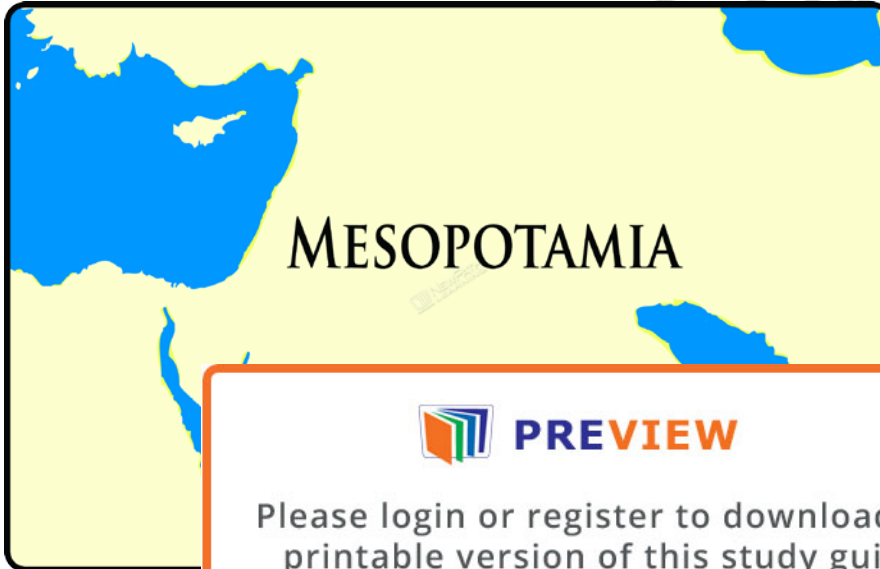


## MESOPOTAMIA: TIGRIS EUPHRATES (3500-1200 BC)

The area that is called **Mesopotamia** is an ancient region of land located between the **Tigris** and **Euphrates rivers** that saw the rise of many civilizations. Because of the relationship to the two rivers, these civilizations, like many modern-day cities, thrived culturally.



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Some of the only lasted a few centuries, while others only lasted a few days. **Sumer, Assyria, Akkad** and **Babylon** are a few of the famous civilizations, each leaving a lasting impression on humanity.



Much advancement was made during the rule of these civilizations. The **Sumerians** are credited with the creation of the first system of **writing**, **irrigation**, an advanced knowledge of **mathematics**, and the **twelve month calendar**, among many other inventions and innovations.



Around 1200 BC, Mongolian forces destroyed Mesopotamia's irrigation systems, leading to the downfall of this area and its civilizations.



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