

## Name 4 Ancient Civilizations.



Four major Ancient Civilizations are Mesopotamia, Egypt, Greece and Rome.

## Give two facts about Ancient Mesopotamia.



Mesopotamia means between the rivers. It was here that the ancient Sumerian, Assyrian and Babylonian civilizations lived. This part of the world was the birthplace to written language. Much of the region is hot and dry and desert today, but it appears that in ancient times the land was very fertile. This area was mostly located in what is now Iraq.

## Where was Sumer?



The southern region of Mesopotamia was known as Sumer. The Sumerians invented a form of writing known as cuneiform which they carved onto clay tablets.

## Who were the Minoans and Mycenaean?



The Minoans settled on the island of Crete at the same time as the rise of Mesopotamia and Egypt. This civilization too has royal palaces and paved roads. In Minoan culture, bulls were significant and vaulting off the back of bulls was a sport. The Mycenaean were skilled at using gold, built the first Greek empire and were highly civilized even though all around them were barbarian tribes.

## Give two facts about Ancient Egypt?



Egypt in North Africa spreads out on either side of the Nile River. The Delta region is called Lower Egypt, while the southern part is called Upper Egypt. Ancient Egypt is considered the birthplace of great ideas particularly in math and science. With its pyramids, temples and hieroglyphics, they are testimonies to the existence of Ancient Egypt.