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HOMEWORK: Mesopotamian Leaders Information Sheet

Directions: Read the below information. Complete the accompanying chart according to the below leaders' accomplishments. Do your best work!

Akkadian Empire

Sargon the Great (reigned 2334 - 2279 BC) - Sargon the Great, or Sargon of Akkad, founded the world's first empire, the Akkadian Empire. He conquered many of the Sumerian city-states and united them under one rule.

Babylonian Empire

Hammurabi (reigned 1792 - 1752 BC) - Hammurabi was the sixth king of Babylon and founded the first Babylonian Empire. He is most famous for establishing a written code of laws called the Hammurabi Code.

Nebuchadnezzar II (c 634 - 562 BC) - Nebuchadnezzar II expanded the Babylonian Empire conquering Judah and Jerusalem. He also built the famous Hanging Gardens of Babylon. Nebuchadnezzar is mentioned several times in the Bible as he sent the Jews into exile after conquering them.

Persian Empire

Cyrus the Great (580 - 530 BC) - Cyrus rose to power and established the Persian Empire (also known as the Achaemenid Empire) when he overthrew the Medes and conquered Babylonia. He believed in human rights and allowed the nations he conquered to worship their own religion. He allowed the exiled Jews to return home to Jerusalem.

HOMEWORK: Mesopotamian Leader Chart

Directions: Use the Mesopotamian Leader Information Sheet to help you complete this chart. Give the details that fit each leader's accomplishments in the correct columns. Some columns for certain leaders may be empty. Be as clear and accurate as possible. You will turn this in for a 10% homework grade tomorrow. Your work will be checked for both completion and accuracy.

Name of Leader	Conquered Other Lands	Built and/or Created Things	Created/Expanded Laws	Set Up/Expand an Empire
Sargon the Great				
Hammurabi				
Nebuchadnezzar II				
Cyrus the Great				