

SECTION 3: STUDY ORGANIZERS

IMPORTANT CIVILIZATIONS

The rise and fall of different civilizations is a major theme in global history. Summarize your knowledge of what you have read by completing the following study organizer. The first item has been done for you as a model.

Civilization	Location	Major Contributions	Reason for Decline
River Valley Civilizations	<i>Egypt, Mesopotamia, Indus River Valley, Huang He</i>	<i>They were the first civilizations in which people lived in cities and developed systems of writing.</i>	<i>The rivers deposited rich soils in annual floods, allowing farmers to grow surplus crops—making possible the rise of civilizations.</i>
Roman Empire			
Dynastic China			
Byzantine Empire			
Arab Islamic Empire			
Mesoamerican Civilizations			
West African Kingdoms			

MAJOR BELIEF SYSTEMS

Belief systems have had a major impact on the lives of people as well as on global history. Summarize your knowledge of belief systems by completing the following study organizer:

Belief System	Where It Was Formed	Major Beliefs or Practices
Judaism		
Confucianism		
Christianity		
Buddhism		
Hinduism		
Islam		
Islamic Fundamentalism		

TURNING POINTS IN HISTORY

A number of significant milestones have had a profound impact on the history of the world. Summarize your knowledge of these by completing the following study organizer:

Turning Point	What led to this turning point?	What were the consequences of this turning point?
Fall of Rome (476 A.D.)		
Birth of Islam (622–632)		
Mongol Conquests (1200s)		
European Encounter with Native Americans (1492)		
Fall of Constantinople (1453)		
French Revolution (1789)		
Perry's Arrival in Japan (1853)		
Russian Revolution (1917)		
Dropping the Atom Bomb on Japan (1945)		
Dissolution of the Soviet Union (1991)		

FORMS OF GOVERNMENT

Throughout history, different groups of people have had different types of governments. Many of these forms of government can be characterized by a particular guiding idea or belief. Summarize your knowledge of the different types of governments by completing the following study organizer:

Form of Government	Its Major Idea or Belief	Examples
Democracy		
Feudalism		
Divine Right		
Absolutism		
Fascism		
Totalitarianism		

TYPES OF ECONOMIC SYSTEMS

An economic system describes the way a society meets its members' needs for goods and services. Throughout history, people have organized their economies to help meet their needs. These economic systems are often based on some major idea or goal. Summarize your knowledge of the various economic systems by completing the following study organizer:

Economic System	Advantages	Disadvantages
Traditional		
Feudal		
Mercantilist		
Capitalist		
Communist		

MAJOR REVOLUTIONS

Certain events in history have brought about great changes in government, ideas, or society with amazing speed. Summarize your knowledge of some of these major revolutions by completing the following study organizer:

Revolution	Where	When	Effects/Changes/Impacts
Neolithic Revolution			
Commercial Revolution			
Scientific Revolution			
French Revolution			
Industrial Revolution			
Russian Revolution			
Chinese Revolution			
Cuban Revolution			
Iranian Revolution			

MAJOR UPRISINGS

In addition to the revolutions listed on the previous page, a number of uprisings and protests have brought about important changes in the world. Summarize your knowledge of these events by completing the following study organizer:

Protestant Reformation (1517)		
Sepoy Mutiny (1857)		
Boxer Rebellion (1899–1900)		
Viet Cong Uprising (1960–1974)		
Intifada (1987–1997)		
Tiananmen Square Protests (1989)		