Unit 3: Lesson 2: The Early River Valley Civilizations Directions: Use MI Open Book pages 74-78 (Weebly)

Characteristic	Evidence from the Textbook
	Where were the cities located?
Cities — a large human settlement with a dense population	What was the size of the cities?
many members specialize in jobs other than farming	What did the cities look like?
5 pts	Names of the cities:
Government and Law – the system or way people in a society provide and keep order	Why do historians believe there was a government and laws?
2 pts	
System of Writing – a method of representing the sounds of a language by written or printed symbols	Why is their system of writing a mystery? How do we know they had a system of writing?
2 pts	
Specialization – when different people in a society take on specific roles or jobs that require unique skills 2 pts	How do we know this civilization had specialization?
	What evidence is there that this civilization most likely had a social system?
Social System or Hierarchy – an order of social classes with producers at the bottom and leaders or kings at the top 2 pts	
Complex Technology and Achievements	Six examples from the book:
3 pts	
Organized Religion – shared set of beliefs and practices	What do historians know about this civilization's religion?
2 pts	

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