Word Cards

1 city-state

a city that, with its surrounding territory, forms an independent state



Example: Athens and Sparta were powerful city-states in Greece that influenced much of the surrounding area.

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2 dynasty

a line of hereditary rulers of a country or empire



Example: China was ruled by several different dynasties that passed power from person to person within the same family.

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3 empire

an extensive group of states or countries under a single, supreme authority



Example: The Roman empire was large and powerful.

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4 trade route



a series

of paths or roads used for the exchange of goods and services across and within regions

Example: People from all over Afroeurasia exchanged ideas and good over the 4000 mile long Silk Road.

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