

The Fertile Crescent

Vocabulary Development

Directions: Match the definitions in Column I with the key terms in Column II. Write the correct letter in each blank. If necessary, look up the terms in your book's glossary.

Column I

- _____ 1. an organized list of laws and rules
- _____ 2. the King of Babylon from about 1792 to 1750 B.C.; creator of the Babylonian empire
- _____ 3. the scattering of people who have a common background or beliefs
- _____ 4. group of traders traveling together
- _____ 5. many territories and peoples controlled by one government
- _____ 6. a traditional story; in some cultures, a legend that explains people's beliefs
- _____ 7. a market selling different kinds of goods
- _____ 8. a religious leader who is regarded as someone who speaks for God or a god
- _____ 9. a time when there is so little food that many people starve
- _____ 10. a region in Southwest Asia; site of the first civilizations
- _____ 11. the capital of Babylonia; a city of great wealth and luxury
- _____ 12. the belief in one god
- _____ 13. the belief in many gods

Column II

- a. alphabet
- b. Babylon
- c. battering ram
- d. bazaar
- e. caravan
- f. city-state
- g. code
- h. covenant
- i. cuneiform
- j. diaspora
- k. empire
- l. exile
- m. famine
- n. Fertile Crescent
- o. Hammurabi
- p. monotheism
- q. Moses
- r. myth
- s. polytheism
- t. prophet
- u. scribe