

Guided Reading and Review

A. As You Read

Directions: As you read Section 1, complete the statements below.

1. The natural barrier that separates India from the rest of Asia is the _____.

2. The earliest people of northern India probably entered the Indus Valley from _____ passes in the _____ mountain range.

3. One of India's earliest cities, located along the banks of the Indus River, was _____.

4. The earliest known religious books of Aryan society are the _____.

5. The four social classes that emerged in Aryan society were the _____.

B. Reviewing Key Terms

Directions: Complete each sentence by writing the correct term in the blank provided.

6. A large landmass that juts out from a continent is called a _____.

7. During the summer, seasonal winds called _____ blow moist air across India from the Indian Ocean.

8. In the center of Mohenjo-Daro, there was a fortress consisting of a group of public buildings. Another name for this fortress is a _____.

9. The Aryans moved, or _____, into the Indus Valley around 1500 B.C.

10. The strict division of classes that began in India around 500 B.C. is known as the _____ system.

Section 1: The Indus and Ganges River Valleys
Ancient India

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