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| **Ch. 2 Early River Valley Civilizations** | **Section 2: City-States in Mesopotamia**  |
| What is the Big Idea? |  |
| Why does it matter now? |  |
| **Geography of the Fertile Crescent**  |
| 1. What is the Fertile Crescent and why is it called that? | a) What is it?b) Why? |
| 2. List three environmental solutions the Sumerians used in Mesopotamia.  | a)b)c) |
| **Sumerians Create City-States** |
| 3. How did military leaders gain power in the city-states? |  |
| **Sumerian Culture**  |
| 4. How did the Sumerians view the gods? |  |

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| **The First Empire Builders** |
| 5. How does an empire differ from a city-state? |  |
| 6. How did Hammurabi’s code advance civilization? |  |