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| **Ch 4: First Empires in Africa and Asia** | **Section 1: The Egyptian and Nubian Empires** |
| What is the Big Idea? |  |
| Why does it matter now? |  |
| **Nomadic Invaders Rule Egypt** | |
| 1. What caused war and violence in Egypt during this period? |  |
| **The New Kingdom of Egypt** | |
| 2. What were some of the political and economic effects of Egypt’s conquests? | Political:  Economic: |
| **The Empire Declines** | |
| 3. Why did Egypt’s empire decline? |  |
| **The Kushites Conquer the Nile Region** | |
| 4. Why might the Kushites have viewed themselves as guardians of Egyptian values? |  |
| **The Golden Age of Meroe** | |
| 5. What natural resources did Meroe have that Egypt did not? |  |
| 6. What role did geography play in Egypt’s rise and fall? |  |