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LT: I can explain the importance of geography on the earliest civilizations.

Do Now: Be ready to share your answer to Part 3 from yesterday's worksheet. (Where would you want to put a civilization and why?)

Geography & Civilization *Day 2*

Part 1: Mapping



1. Label the following rivers on the map below:

- Tigris River
- Euphrates River
- Yellow River
- Nile River

BIG IDEA #1:

Part 2: Jared Diamond Clip (25:16-34:39 & 39:30-44:54)

1. What are some examples of fast-growing, high-yield domesticated crops? In which regions did these crops grow?
2. Write 2-3 words or phrases that describe Papua New Guinea.
3. What crops did Papua New Guineans grow? Why are they inferior crops?
4. Write 3 things domesticated animals can be used for.
5. Why did Papua New Guineans' lack of domesticated animals make farming so hard?

Part 2: Jared Diamond Clip (continued)

6. What happened in the Fertile Crescent when people produced food efficiently and were freed from the burden of farming?

7. Why didn't Papua New Guineans develop advanced technology (like metal tools)?

BIG IDEA #2:

Part 3: Thinking Bigger

1. Write 1 question you have.(required! Do not write, "I don't have one"

2. Why did early civilization begin in the Middle East? (3-4 sentences)

3. One reason for the development of an early civilization in the Tigris-Euphrates river valleys was that

- a). the location protected the people from land invasion
- b). periodic flooding left rich soil, which was ideal for farming
- c). these rivers provided a direct trade route between Europe and Asia
- d). these rivers flowed into the Mediterranean Sea