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Pre-Test

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Question 1	What element did the deities in ancient Mesopotamia represent?		
Type: Multiple Choice	Hint: Feedback for See the section "I. Mesopotamia" in Chapter 2 on p. 32. all incorrect answers:		
	Answer	Graded As	Feedback
	every part of nature	Correct	
	fire	Incorrect	
	sky	Incorrect	
	water	Incorrect	

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Question 2	It was usual for the male deities to have what?		
Type: Multiple Choice	Hint: Feedback for See the section "I. Mesopotamia" in Chapter 2 on p. 32. all incorrect answers:		
	Answer	Graded As	Feedback
	a consort	Correct	
	a mother-goddess	Incorrect	
	powerful fertility	Incorrect	
	small sanctuaries	Incorrect	

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Question 3	The Sumerians and the Akkadians, in the northern half of Mesopotamia, grouped powerful gods Anu, Bel, and Ea into a triad; what were they believed to rule over?		
Type: Multiple Choice	Hint: Feedback for See the section "I. Mesopotamia" in Chapter 2 on p. 32. all incorrect answers:		
	Answer	Graded As	Feedback
	agriculture	Incorrect	
	heaven above	Incorrect	
	the physical universe	Correct	

water

Incorrect

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Question 4	What purpose did the Babylonian myths and epics serve for the worshippers in Mesopotamia?		
Type:	Hint:		
Multiple Choice	Feedback for See the section "I. Mesopotamia" in Chapter 2 on p. 32.		
	all		
	incorrect		
	answers:		
	Answer	Graded	Feedback
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	to administer social and political power over the people	Incorrect	
	to establish hereditary lineage for the purpose of marriage eligibility	Incorrect	
	to explore profound questions about believers' place in the universe	Correct	
	to transition followers from a nomadic existence to a more urban life	Incorrect	

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Question 5	Which of the following actions did Babylonian priests NOT take to ensure believers their blessings?		
Type:	Hint:		
Multiple Choice	Feedback for See the section "I. Mesopotamia" in Chapter 2 on p. 32.		
	all		
	incorrect		
	answers:		
	Answer	Graded As	Feedback
	incantations	Incorrect	
	ritual prayers	Incorrect	
	sacrifices	Incorrect	
	war	Correct	

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Question 6	What was the determining factor in the formation of early Greek religion?		
Type:	Hint:		
Multiple Choice	Feedback for See the section "II. Greece" in Chapter 2 on p. 39.		
	all		
	incorrect		
	answers:		
	Answer	Graded As	Feedback
	mystery religions	Incorrect	

northern invaders from Indo-Europe	Correct
the Greek philosophers	Incorrect
the stories of Homer	Incorrect

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Question 7 Which of the following references cannot be attributed to the Greek god Zeus?

Type:  
Multiple Choice

Hint:  
Feedback for See the section "II. Greece" in Chapter 2 on p. 39.  
all  
incorrect  
answers:

Answer	Graded As	Feedback
earth mother	Correct	
the <i>Pater</i>	Incorrect	
rainmaker	Incorrect	
sky father	Incorrect	

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Question 8 Why were the Greeks polytheists?

Type:  
Multiple Choice

Hint:  
Feedback for See the section "II. Greece" in Chapter 2 on p. 39.  
all  
incorrect  
answers:

Answer	Graded As	Feedback
divination made polytheism possible	Incorrect	
the powers and forces encountered in daily life were both diverse and numerous	Correct	
previous early civilizations were polytheist	Incorrect	
their leaders mandated polytheism	Incorrect	

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Question 9 Why were Hades, the god of the underworld, and Ouranos, the god of heaven, not worshipped in Greek homes?

Type:  
Multiple Choice

Hint:  
Feedback for See the section "II. Greece" in Chapter 2 on p. 39.  
all  
incorrect  
answers:

Answer	Graded As	Feedback
Only priests could pray or offer sacrifices to	Incorrect	

these gods.

These gods were perceived to be far removed from daily life. Correct

These gods were perceived to be too close to daily life. Incorrect

These gods were perceived to be too powerful. Incorrect

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Question 10 Which author first composed stories of the Greek gods as a family?

Hint:

Type:

Multiple Choice

Feedback for See the section "II. Greece" in Chapter 2 on p. 39.

all  
incorrect  
answers:

Answer	Graded As	Feedback
Hesiod	Incorrect	
Homer	Correct	
Plato	Incorrect	
Sophocles	Incorrect	

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Question 11 What are *daimons*?

Hint:

Type:

Multiple Choice

Feedback for See the section "II. Greece" in Chapter 2 on p. 39.

all  
incorrect  
answers:

Answer	Graded As	Feedback
destructive passions like jealousy and pride	Incorrect	
evil spirits	Incorrect	
personal spirits closely identified with an individual	Correct	
spirits associated with death	Incorrect	

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Question 12 Which of the following is NOT recognized as one of Greece's tragic poets?

Hint:

Type:

Multiple Choice

Feedback for See the section "II. Greece" in Chapter 2 on p. 39.

all  
incorrect  
answers:

Answer	Graded As	Feedback
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Aeschylus	Incorrect
Euripides	Incorrect
Hera	Correct
Sophocles	Incorrect

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Question 13      What origins can be attributed to the people who came to be known as the Latins?

Type:  
Multiple Choice

Hint:  
Feedback for    See the section "III. Rome" in Chapter 2 on p. 49.  
all  
incorrect  
answers:

Answer	Graded As	Feedback
Etruscan	Incorrect	
Greek	Incorrect	
Indo-European	Correct	
Teutonic	Incorrect	

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Question 14      Which god defended the threshold of the Roman home?

Type:  
Multiple Choice

Hint:  
Feedback for    See the section "III. Rome" in Chapter 2 on p. 49.  
all  
incorrect  
answers:

Answer	Graded As	Feedback
Ceres	Incorrect	
Janus	Correct	
Juno	Incorrect	
Jupiter	Incorrect	

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Question 15      Which Roman god predetermined the course of human affairs?

Type:  
Multiple Choice

Hint:  
Feedback for    See the section "III. Rome" in Chapter 2 on p. 49.  
all  
incorrect  
answers:

Answer	Graded As	Feedback
Jupiter	Correct	
Mars	Incorrect	
Neptune	Incorrect	

	Venus	Incorrect		
Question 16	What did the mystic cults from the eastern world bring to Roman worshippers that the state religion did not provide?			
Type:	Hint:			
Multiple Choice	Feedback for	See the section "III. Rome" in Chapter 2 on p. 49.		
	all incorrect answers:			
	Answer	Graded As	Feedback	
	agricultural worship	Incorrect		
	agnosticism	Incorrect		
	hope of immortality	Correct		
	organizational skills	Incorrect		
Question 17	Which of the following forms of worship did the Celts NOT participate in?			
Type:	Hint:			
Multiple Choice	Feedback for	See the section "IV. Europe Beyond the Alps" in Chapter 2 on p. 56.		
	all incorrect answers:			
	Answer	Graded As	Feedback	
	animal worship	Incorrect		
	emperor worship	Correct		
	sacrifices	Incorrect		
	tree worship	Incorrect		
Question 18	Which religious aspects of life did NOT greatly concern the Teutonic people?			
Type:	Hint:			
Multiple Choice	Feedback for	See the section "IV. Europe Beyond the Alps" in Chapter 2 on p. 56.		
	all incorrect answers:			
	Answer	Graded As	Feedback	
	death	Incorrect		
	end of the world	Incorrect		
	fertility	Incorrect		
	the sacred significance of time	Correct		

Question 19 Many Mayan deities appear in four aspects; this configuration also appears in what other culture's vision of the shape of the world?

Type:

Multiple Choice

Hint:

Feedback for all incorrect answers: See the section "V. Mesoamerica: The Maya" in Chapter 2 on p. 61.

Answer	Graded As	Feedback
Cherokee	Correct	
Egyptian	Incorrect	
Greek	Incorrect	
Roman	Incorrect	

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Question 20 Which of the following is NOT among the four modes of Mayan deity groupings?

Type:

Multiple Choice

Hint:

Feedback for all incorrect answers: See the section "V. Mesoamerica: The Maya" in Chapter 2 on p. 61.

Answer	Graded As	Feedback
calendric and ceremonial	Incorrect	
celestial and remote	Incorrect	
death and war	Incorrect	
magic and divination	Correct	

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