

COMPARING CROPS

Name: Date:

Directions: Working with your assigned group, study the Agriculture and Civilization Infographic to answer the questions below. This should be a relatively quick activity with your teacher giving you about 5 to 10 minutes to answer the questions. After all groups are finished, you'll share your answers in a class discussion.

1. What are the geographic similarities between the six early agrarian civilizations highlighted on the infographic?
2. Why do you think agriculture began in the Fertile Crescent about 3,000 to 2,500 years before farming in any other location?
3. What crops were best suited for long-term storage? How do you think this affected the growth of these civilizations?
4. How did the indigenous animals in these civilizations both help and hinder them?

