HISTORICAL CONTEXT

Many early civilizations developed on deltas at the mouths of major rivers or in river valleys such as the Nile, Indus, Huang He and Tigris and Euphrates. Throughout the history of these civilizations the one common factor has been the importance of these rivers. Living along rivers or at deltas has brought prosperity and suffering to people.

TASK:

After completing PART A, use the information from the documents, questions and your own knowledge of the subject to write a proper and coherent essay.

Describe four advantages and two disadvantages to locating a civilization on a delta or in a river valley.
1. According to the pictures, what were rivers used for?

______________________________________________________________

______________________________________________________________ (1)

2. How did living along a river bring prosperity to a civilization?

______________________________________________________________

______________________________________________________________ (1)
3. What natural resource did rivers provide?

4. Give one example of how people used this resource?

5. How did this natural resource contribute to the growth of civilizations?
6. Why were rivers important to animals?

7. Give an example of why this would be an advantage to people?
10. The above examples depict a product provided by rivers. What is the natural resource that is produced by a river?

11. How did people use this natural resource?

(1)
12. What would be a disadvantage to living along a river?
According to the picture, what would be a disadvantage to areas that border a river?

13. ————————————————————————————————————

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14. How would people be negatively affected by living along a river?
Evaluation

PART B

Many early civilizations developed on deltas at the mouths of major rivers or in river valleys such as the Nile, Indus, Huang He and Tigris and Euphrates. Throughout the history of these civilizations the one common factor has been the importance of the rivers. Living along the rivers have brought prosperity and suffering to people.

TASK:

Describe four advantages and two disadvantages to locating a civilization on a delta or in a river valley.

After completing PART A, use the information from the documents, questions and your own knowledge of the subject to write a proper and coherent essay.

- Remember a proper essay has an introduction, body of information and conclusion. Please write in complete sentences and paragraph form.
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SECRET TIPS FOR WRITING A DBQ
ALL ESSAYS HAVE AN INTRODUCTION, BODY AND CONCLUSION
BORROW AS MUCH AS YOU CAN FROM THE INTRODUCTION

ORIGINAL INTRODUCTION
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YOUR INTRODUCTION
First sentence:
On deltas or in river valleys many early civilizations developed.

OR
The civilizations of the Nile, Indus, Huang He and Tigris and Euphrates started along rivers.

Second sentence:
The common factor among these civilization has been the rivers.

OR
The importance of the rivers has been the one common factor throughout the history of civilizations.

Third sentence:
The rivers have brought richness and poverty to people.

OR
Suffering and prosperity is brought by living along rivers.
Model of Introduction Paragraph

On deltas or in river valleys many early civilizations developed. The common factor among these civilizations has been the rivers. The rivers have brought richness and poverty to people.

OR

The importance of the rivers has been the one common factor throughout the history of civilizations. The civilizations of the Nile, Indus, Huang He and Tigris and Euphrates started along rivers. Suffering and prosperity is brought by living along rivers.
SECRET TIPS FOR WRITING A BODY

- Remember to indent
- Look at your graphic organizer

- Write down everything from your graphic organizer but add examples
- Adding examples can make your essay a "Whopper" or a "Big Mac".

Example:

An advantage of locating a civilization next to a river would be____________.(doc.__) It would bring prosperity to people by____________(doc.__) A second advantage of locating a civilization along a river would be______________(doc.__) It would be an advantage because______________.(doc.__) A third advantage of locating a civilization would be________________________.(doc.__) This advantage provide people with____________________________.(doc.__) The fourth advantage was___________________________. This helped the people by____________________________.(doc.__)

A disadvantage of locating a civilization along a delta was_____________. This problem cause __________________.(doc.__) The second disadvantage was________________________(doc.__) It caused a problem by creating __________________.(doc.__)
Model - Second Paragraph Using Examples

An advantage to locating a civilization along a river would be transportation. (doc. 1) It would bring prosperity to people by trading. (doc. 1) For example, Egypt is a civilization that became prosperous by trading with Nubia.

A second advantage of locating a civilization along a river would be the natural resources of silt that a river would provide. (doc. 2) An example of how people could use this resource is growing crops. (doc. 2) The natural resource of clay contributed to the growth of civilization by building pyramids. (doc. 5) Rivers provided people with water for irrigation and building canals. (doc. 4) For example, people who lived along the rivers were able to build shadoffs and irrigation canals. (doc. 4)
Model Third Paragraph Using Examples

A disadvantage to locating a civilization along a river would be _______. (doc 6)

For example, _______. A second disadvantage would be _______. (doc 8) An example, of a civilization that was destroyed by floods yearly was _______.

Ancient Egypt
TOP SECRET TIPS FOR WRITING A CONCLUSION

REMEMBER TO INDENT

START YOUR CONCLUSION WITH--To sum up,

You tell people how you feel about the topic you just finished writing about.

You summarize what you just finished writing about. You restate the introduction giving one or two examples from your essay.

Conclusions are short and to the point.

For example:

To sum up, rivers____________________. People needed the water for ____________, ________________, and ________________. Civilizations would not have developed without__________. However, the flooding of the rivers also caused __________________.
Make sure you have the ingredients needed to complete the essay:

- Introduction
- Body with examples
- Conclusion

INTRODUCTION

lettuce, tomatoes, onions, cheese(your examples)

MEAT(BODY)

CONCLUSION
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Aim: To analyze the documents given and construct an essay

Activity:
- Students will analyze the documents
- Students will scaffold the documents.
- Students will compose an essay based on the documents given.
- Teacher will elicit the correct responses from the students by having them participate in the activity.

- Students will have their own "hard copy" of DBQ and will answer the questions.

Material:
- Smart board, lap top, "hard copy" of DBQ

Evaluation:
- Students will have a completed essay. The essay will have the information the students put on their DBQ. The essay will be indented and have three paragraphs.

Standard: SS:2.1.3B

Performance Indicator:
Students interpret and analyze documents and artifacts related to significant developments and events in history.
- SS:3.1.1.C

Performance Indicator:
Students investigate why people and places are located where they are located and what patterns can be perceived in these locations.
POSSIBLE ANSWERS

Document 1:
1. The rivers are used for transportation.
2. By living along a river people traded which brought prosperity to a civilization.

Document 2:
3. A natural resource that rivers provided was silt or rich soil.
4. People used this natural resource for farming/growing crops/ agriculture.
5. Silt or rich soil enabled people to grow surplus food. Surplus food created specialization.

Document 3:
6. Rivers provided water for animals.
7. Providing water for animals would an advantage because people could have a food supply.

Document 4:
8. Rivers gave people water for crops, drinking water, bathing
9. People built shadoof and irrigation canals.

Document 5:
10. The natural resource provided by rivers is clay.
11. People use clay to build structures.

Document 6:
12. A disadvantage to living along a river would be floods.

Document 7:
13. A disadvantage would be erosion of the land.

Document 8:
14. People would be negatively affected by becoming homeless.
Graphic Organizer

Place the document number next to the example.

(\text{doc} _) \hspace{1cm} \text{POSSIBLE ANSWERS}

\textbf{ADVANTAGES}

1. The rivers are used for transportation. (doc. 1)
   
or
   By living along a river people traded
   which brought prosperity to a civilization. (doc. 1)
   
or

2. A natural resource that rivers provided was silt or rich soil. (doc. 2)
   People used this natural resource for farming/
   growing crops/agriculture. (doc. 2)
   Silt or rich soil enabled people to grow surplus food.
   Surplus food created specialization. (doc. 2)
   
or

3. Rivers provided water for animals. (doc. 3)
   Providing water for animals would an advantage
   because people could have
   a food supply. (doc. 3)
   
or
   Rivers gave people water for crops, drinking water,
   bathing (doc. 4)
   People built shadoofs and irrigation canals. (doc. 4)
   
or

4. The natural resource provided by rivers is clay. (doc. 5)
   People use clay to build structures. (doc. 5)

\textbf{DISADVANTAGES}

1. A disadvantage to living along a river
   would be floods. (doc. 6)
   
or

A disadvantage would be erosion of the land. (doc. 8)
   
or

2. People would be negatively affected by
   becoming homeless. (doc. 8)