

## Sumer The History Of The Cities And Culture That Established Ancient Mesopotamia S First Civilization

An analysis of the oldest form of poetry. Sumer, in the southern part of Iraq, created the first literary culture in history, as early as 2500BC. The account is structured around a complete English translation of the fragmentary Lugalbanda poems, narrating the adventures of the eponymous hero. The study reveals a work of a rich and sophisticated poetic imagination and technique, which, far from being in any sense 'primitive', are so complex as to resist much modern literary analysis.>

The ancient history of Greece holds a great deal of interest to many, particularly to those whose culture and religion grew from early Greek civilisation. Originally published in 1913, Hall provides a thorough history of the origins of Ancient Greek civilisation as well as commenting on Egypt, Syria, Palestine and Babylon amongst others. This title will be of interest to students of Classics and Ancient History.

Gebhard J. Selz bietet eine kompakte Einführung in die Geschichte der Sumerer und Akkader. Er beschreibt die Vorgeschichte, die Entstehung der frühen Hochkulturen im 3. Jahrtausend v. Chr. und skizziert den Verlauf ihrer Ereignisgeschichte. Die Grundzüge der Entwicklung ihrer Gesellschaft, Wirtschaft, Kultur und Religion werden ebenso behandelt wie der Untergang beider Völker im Ansturm der Amurriter und Elamer. Achtung: Aus lizenzrechtlichen Gründen dürfen die Abbildungen in diesem eBook leider nicht wiedergegeben werden.

Examines the many reasons and motivations for the destruction of books throughout history, citing specific acts from the smashing of ancient Sumerian tablets to the looting of libraries in post-war Iraq.

Der Heidelberger Assyriologe Stefan M. Maul legt hier eine neue Übersetzung des Gilgamesch-Epos vor. Spektakuläre Textfunde, die in diesem Buch erstmals bekannt gemacht werden, und behutsam vorgenommene Ergänzungen lassen das älteste Werk der Weltliteratur in nie zuvor gesehener Vollständigkeit wiedererstehen. Die elegante und dennoch wortgetreue Übersetzung bewahrt die Sprachgewalt des babylonischen Originaltextes. Der leicht rhythmische Klang der Übertragung lädt zum Deklamieren ein und nähert sich den rhythmischen Versen der Vorlage an. In der allgemeinverständlichen Einführung und den ausführlichen Kommentaren nimmt Stefan M. Maul den Leser mit in die Welt des Alten Orients und erläutert ihm die politischen, gesellschaftlichen und religiösen Vorstellungen der Kultur, die das Gilgamesch-Epos hervorgebracht hat. Das Epos erzählt den Mythos des Königs Gilgamesch von Uruk, der seine Kräfte mit der ganzen Welt messen will, nach der Unsterblichkeit strebt und schließlich auf die Erkenntnis zurückgeworfen wird, daß auch für ihn das Leben endlich ist. Bis Gilgamesch bereit ist, diese Lehre anzunehmen, und dadurch die Fähigkeit erwirbt, ein guter Herrscher zu sein, muß er zahllose Abenteuer bestehen. Das Gilgamesch-Epos ist so einem modernen Entwicklungsroman vergleichbar, der von den Grundfragen des menschlichen Daseins handelt.

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\*Includes pictures\*Includes ancient passages and accounts about Ur written by Babylonian kings and others\*Includes online resources and a bibliography for further readingWhen American archaeologists discovered a collection of cuneiform tablets in Iraq in the late 19th century, they were confronted with a language and a people who were at the time only scarcely known to even the most knowledgeable scholars of ancient Mesopotamia: the Sumerians. The exploits and achievements of other Mesopotamian peoples, such as the Assyrians and Babylonians, were already known to a large segment of the population through the Old Testament and the nascent field of Near Eastern studies had unraveled the enigma of the Akkadian language that was widely used throughout the region in ancient times, but the discovery of the Sumerian tablets brought to light the existence of the Sumerian culture, which was the oldest of all the Mesopotamian cultures. Long before Alexandria was a city and even before Memphis and Babylon had attained greatness, the ancient Mesopotamian city of Ur stood foremost among ancient Near Eastern cities. Today, the greatness and cultural influence of Ur has been largely forgotten by most people, partially because its monuments have not stood the test of time the way other ancient culture's monuments have. For instance, the monuments of Egypt were made of stone while those of Ur and most other Mesopotamian cities were made of mud brick and as will be discussed in this report, mud brick may be an easier material to work with than stone but it also decays much quicker. The same is true to a certain extent for the written documents that were produced at Ur. The people of Mesopotamia, which Ur was part of, employed the cuneiform system of writing; since cuneiform was almost always written on clay tablets, modern scholars have been forced with the unfortunate problem that many of those tablets have been broken and made unreadable throughout the centuries. Despite the ephemeral nature of its monuments and to some extent its written texts, Ur proved to be an inspiration to the Sumerians who built the city and also to later cultures and dynasties that inhabited Mesopotamia. An examination of primary sources relating to Ur, as well as archaeological excavations done in the ancient city reveal that the city was a cultural beacon for thousands of years. Ur began as a Sumerian city of secondary importance but quickly grew to be the most important Sumerian city. At its height Ur was the center of a great dynasty that controlled most of Mesopotamia directly through a well maintained army and bureaucracy and the areas that were not under its direct control were influenced by Ur's diplomats and religious ideas. This study will also reveal that Ur was a truly resilient city because it survived the downfall of the Sumerians, outright destruction at the hands of the Elamites, and later occupations by numerous other peoples, which included Saddam Hussein more recently. Ur inspired the imaginations of ancient peoples, but it has also enraptured the minds of moderns, who have worked for over 150 years to unlock the city's mysteries. Truly, when it comes to important ancient cities, Ur should be counted among the greatest. Ur: The History and Legacy of the Ancient Sumerian Capital traces the history and legacy of one of the most influential cities of antiquity. Along with pictures of important people, places, and events, you will learn about the history of Ur like never before, in no time at all.

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instruct others and how they lived and even to help themselves understand their world. you will learn the formative tales of gods and heroes to help you understand who the Sumerians were and why they were important. This book explores the tales of gods and heroes in a concise, easy-to-read fashion. These tales of heroes and gods were deeply important to the Mesopotamian people and learning about them is the only way to understand the kind of world they lived in and how it was different from our own. It was a world of birds with the faces of lions, gods with the wings of birds, and seductive goddesses who symbolically married the kings of the various city-states. The Sumerians told many tales of gods like Inanna, An, Ashur, and Enlil, tales that helped the civilizations of Mesopotamia endure for nearly 4000 years. Indeed, European travelers to the Orient in the 18th century discovered that there were still districts where the goddess Inanna (more than five thousand years old then) was still worshipped in secret. The world of the Sumerians was unlike our own. The people at the heart of Sumerian civilization - living in modern-day Iraq, Kuwait, Turkey, and other places - these people were part of a culture so far removed from the way that we think and perceive today as to be almost unrecognizable. You will learn about the Gilgamesh and Enkidu, the Anzu bird, who the major gods and goddesses were, who the important heroes were, and how Sumerian society left a legacy that continues with us today. Poets and historians recorded Mesopotamian tales on cuneiform tablets, but we have made the deciphering work easy for you. Buy it NOW and let your customers get addicted to this amazing book

In this ancient history book for kids, you're going to learn about the Sumerians and the Akkadians. Who were these people and why are they in history books? If you know and understand historical facts, it might become easy for you to find connections in daily living. This book comes with pictures that make learning a much more fulfilling process. Grab a copy today!

Gods in the Desert explores the fascinating religious cultures of the ancient Near East. From the mysterious pyramids, tombs, and temples of Egypt to the powerful heroes, gods, and legends of Mesopotamia, Glenn Holland guides readers through the early religions that are the root of many of today's major faiths. Holland compares the religions of ancient Egypt, Mesopotamia, and Syria-Palestine, including Israel and Judah, from the Neolithic era through the conquest of Alexander the Great. He provides a historical survey of each region, then discusses the gods, the rulers, the afterlife, and the worship rituals. This accessible overview makes clear how these religions converged and diverged, and are intimately connected to many of the religions we recognize today, sometimes in surprising ways.

"This book offers a revolutionary new synthesis of ancient history and religion by bridging the gap between the archaeology of Mesopotamia (now the country of Iraq) and the biblical account of Genesis, Professor Alan Dickin shows how the Sumerians, the ancient inhabitants of Mesopotamia, established the world's first organized religion, which was a direct forerunner of the Judeo-Christian faith. He places the biblical accounts of the Creation, Fall, Flood, and Tower of Babel in their historical context in ancient Mesopotamia, and identifies the origins of the biblical Trinity in the Sumerian pantheon. Finally, he explores the manner of God's first revelations to mankind and the meaning of the lost secrets of the Garden of Eden. Over seventy line drawings of ancient artifacts, in addition to maps and historical tables, bring the civilization and religion of ancient Mesopotamia to life for a modern audience."--BOOK JACKET.

A history of Sumer and Akkad. An account of the early races of Babylonia from prehistoric times to the foundation of the Babylonian monarchy.

Planet of Gold is a fascinating and meticulously researched account of the first stirrings of the Earth, when alien gods mastered our universe. Paris' hypothesis of these gods sending tons of gold from our planet may challenge your beliefs, but with great skill, he weaves a believable and astounding conclusion of why religions developed and how these beliefs have become permanently intertwined in our history. The gold of Earth, transformed into a "monatomic super conducting gold powder," could bring health and longevity. Additionally, it was a powerful and clean energy source. The knowledge about gold powder was the explicit privilege of the gods. For us, it has been classified as 'forbidden knowledge.' The gold, and the gold powder, was the reason behind such events as the creation of man, the confusion of the tongues, the destruction of cities, and the introduction of religions, like Christianity and Islam. Their action, to violently deprive us from using gold powder, is visible in our current state of being: a world dominated by diseases, mental enslavement by religious dogmas, and pollution leading to a climate crisis. Paris' book is a stunningly revealing look at ancient kings, prophets and agents, secret societies, the Holy Inquisition, the Bible, and other religious teachings. Planet of Gold will open your eyes to an entirely different way of observing your faith and your world. ABOUT THE AUTHOR-Andreas Paris lives with his wife and two children in Stockholm, Sweden. He is a retired IT Specialist and is currently working on a second volume about the Planet of Gold.

Why does a 5th grader have to learn about the Sumerian Writing System and Literature? Surely you don't use Sumerian writing these days. However, it is important to learn these things to acquire a better understanding of the origin of cultures, traditions and learning. There could be links from then to now, and these could be presented in writing systems and literature. Study this book today!

The Sumerians A Complete Guide to Sumerian History and the Sumerian Civilization. Sumer in the Akkadian Empire and the Ancient City of Babylon

Please note that the content of this book primarily consists of articles available from Wikipedia or other free sources online. Pages: 38. Chapters: Abzu, Ancient Mesopotamian units of measurement, Code of Ur-Nammu, Dilmun, Gu-Edin, Gutian dynasty of Sumer, History of Sumer, History of writing ancient numbers, Khopesh, Majan (civilization), Meluhha, Miscellaneous Babylonian Inscriptions, Murashu family, Pax Sumerica, Sharur (mythological weapon), Shinar, Sirara, Sumerian Farmer's Almanac, Sumerian King List, Sumerian language, Third Dynasty of Ur, Ubaid house, Uruk period.

This unique new work of reference traces the origins of the modern laws of warfare from the earliest times to the present day. Relying on written records from as far back as 2400 BCE, and using sources ranging from the Bible to Security Council Resolutions, the author pieces together the history of a subject which is almost as old as civilisation itself. The author shows that as long as humanity has been waging wars it has also been trying to find ways of legitimising different forms of combatants and ascribing rules to them, protecting civilians who are either inadvertently or intentionally caught up between them, and controlling the use of particular classes of weapons that may be used in times of conflict. Thus it is that this work is divided into three substantial parts: Volume 1 on the laws affecting combatants and captives; Volume 2 on civilians; and Volume 3 on the law of arms control. This second book on civilians examines four different topics. The first topic deals with the targetting of civilians in times of war. This discussion is one which has been largely governed by the developments of technologies which have allowed projectiles to be discharged over ever greater areas, and attempts to prevent their indiscriminate utilisation have struggled to keep pace. The second topic concerns the destruction of the natural environment, with particular regard to the utilisation of starvation as a method of warfare, and unlike the first topic, this one has rarely changed over thousands of years, although contemporary practices are beginning to represent a clear break from tradition. The third topic is concerned with the long-standing problems of civilians under the occupation of opposing military forces, where the practices of genocide, collective punishments and/or reprisals, and rape have occurred. The final topic in this volume is about the theft or destruction of the property of the enemy, in terms of either pillage or the intentional devastation of the cultural property of the opposition. As a work of reference this set of three books is unrivalled, and will be of immense benefit to scholars and practitioners researching and advising on the laws of warfare. It also tells a story which throws fascinating new light on the history of international law and on the history of warfare itself.

A Short History of the World is a period-piece non-fictional historic work. The book was largely inspired by Wells's earlier 1919 work The Outline of History. It summarises the scientific knowledge of the time regarding the history of Earth and life and begins with its origins, goes on to explain the development of the Earth and life on Earth, reaching primitive thought and the development of humankind from the Cradle of Civilisation. The book ends with the outcome of the First World War, the Russian famine of 1921, and the League of Nations in 1922. Herbert George Wells (1866–1946), known as H. G. Wells, was

a prolific English writer in many genres, including the novel, history, politics, and social commentary, and textbooks and rules for war games.

This book explores what life was really like for everyday people in ancient Sumer. Using primary sources and information from archeological discoveries, it uncovers some fascinating insights and explodes some myths. Supported by timelines, maps, and references to important events and people, children will really feel they are on a time-traveling journey when reading this book.

These people, the Sumerians, influenced not only all the other civilizations which arose in Mesopotamia but virtually every other human society which followed. Without the Sumerians, the world today would be a very different place. However, although we know a great deal about these people, there are fundamental mysteries about the Sumerians which have still not been solved by historians or archaeologists. For example, the Sumerians seemed to appear in Mesopotamia with a complex and developed society and skills and technologies which no other culture possessed, yet there is no agreement where they came from. They created a complex language, but no-one knows what it sounded like. There are striking examples of similarities between the art of the civilization of Sumer and the art of other ancient civilizations, yet we know that these cultures had no contact with each other. The Sumerians were able to observe and record astronomical and celestial phenomena in very advanced ways which are still not understood. In this book you will about: \* Sumerian Culture \* Sumerian Inventions \* How long were they around \* What they looked like \* Fascinating insight into their everyday life

This book contain is a comprehensive guide to the origins of the alphabet, exploring its existence in ancient Greece, Egypt, and Samaria. Laurence Austine Waddell (1899 – 1938) was a British Explorer, professor of Tibetan, and Indian army surgeon. Other notable works by this author include: “Among the Himalayas”, “The Birds of Sikkim” (1893), and “Some Ancient Indians Charms from the Tibetan” (1895). Contents include: “Ancestry of the Alphabets Re The Phoenicians”, “Alphabet Letters in Pre-Dynastic and Early-Dynastic Egypt and Theories Thereon”, “How the Sumerian Origin of the Alphabet was Discovered”, “The So-Called ‘Aphonic Owner’s Mark’”, etc. Many vintage books such as this are increasingly scarce and expensive. It is with this in mind that we are republishing this volume now in an affordable, modern, high-quality edition complete with a specially-commissioned new biography of the author.

Reproduction of the original: A History of Sumer and Akkad by Leonard W. King

The Sumer and Akkad are two of the most ancient civilizations known to men. Reading this resource material will bring you back to Mesopotamia over 7,000 years ago. You will learn how the Sumerians established an advanced writing system, architecture and arts, mathematics and astronomy. You will also read how the Akkadians followed the Sumerians to create the world’s first empire. This book is a must-read!

Originally published between 1920-70, The History of Civilization was a landmark in early twentieth century publishing. It was published at a formative time within the social sciences, and during a period of decisive historical discovery. The aim of the general editor, C.K. Ogden, was to summarize the most up to date findings and theories of historians, anthropologists, archaeologists and sociologists. This reprinted material is available as a set or in the following groupings: \* Prehistory and Historical Ethnography Set of 12: 0-415-15611-4: £800.00 \* Greek Civilization Set of 7: 0-415-15612-2: £450.00 \* Roman Civilization Set of 6: 0-415-15613-0: £400.00 \* Eastern Civilizations Set of 10: 0-415-15614-9: £650.00 \* Judaeo-Christian Civilization Set of 4: 0-415-15615-7: £250.00 \* European Civilization Set of 11: 0-415-15616-5: £700.00

This anthology of Sumerian literature constitutes the most comprehensive collection ever published, and includes examples of most of the different types of composition written in the language, from narrative myths and lyrical hymns to proverbs and love poetry. The translations have benefited both from the work of many scholars and from our ever-increasing understanding of Sumerian. In addition to reflecting the advances made by modern scholarship, the translations are written in clear, accessible English. An extensive introduction discusses the literary qualities of the works, the people who created and copied them in ancient Iraq, and how the study of Sumerian literature has evolved over the last 150 years.

\*Includes pictures \*Includes links to online sources like the Epic of Gilgamesh and more \*Includes primary sources written by the ancient Sumerians \*Includes a bibliography for further reading \*Includes a table of contents When American archaeologists discovered a collection of cuneiform tablets in Iraq in the late 19th century, they were confronted with a language and a people who were at the time only scarcely known to even the most knowledgeable scholars of ancient Mesopotamia: the Sumerians. The exploits and achievements of other Mesopotamian peoples, such as the Assyrians and Babylonians, were already known to a large segment of the population through the Old Testament and the nascent field of Near Eastern studies had unraveled the enigma of the Akkadian language that was widely used throughout the region in ancient times, but the discovery of the Sumerian tablets brought to light the existence of the Sumerian culture, which was the oldest of all the Mesopotamian cultures. Although the Sumerians continue to get second or even third billing compared to the Babylonians and Assyrians, perhaps because they never built an empire as great as the Assyrians or established a city as enduring and great as Babylon, they were the people who provided the template of civilization that all later Mesopotamians built upon. The Sumerians are credited with being the first people to invent writing, libraries, cities, and schools in Mesopotamia (Ziskind 1972, 34), and many would argue that they were the first people to create and do those things anywhere in world. For a people so great it is unfortunate that their accomplishments and contributions, not only to Mesopotamian civilization but to civilization in general, largely go unnoticed by the majority of the public. Perhaps the Sumerians were victims of their own success; they gradually entered the historical record, established a fine civilization, and then slowly submerged into the cultural patchwork of their surroundings. They also never suffered a great and sudden collapse like other peoples of the ancient Near East, such as the Hittites, Assyrians and Neo-Babylonians did. A close examination of Sumerian culture and chronology reveals that the Sumerians set the cultural tone in Mesopotamia for several centuries in the realms of politics/governments, arts, literature, and religion. The Sumerians were truly a great people whose legacy continued long after they were gone. The Sumerians: The History and Legacy of the Ancient Mesopotamian Empire that Established Civilization traces the history and legacy of Sumer across several centuries. Along with pictures of important people, places, and events, you will learn about the history of the Sumerians like never before, in no time at all.

Ancient history is the aggregate of past events from the beginning of writing and recorded human history and extending as far as post-classical history. The author included, translated and explained Mesopotamia, Sumer, Babylon, Akkad, Assyria, Phoenicia most important: -Symbols -Archeological sites, ruins, and cities -Ziggurat -Maps -Seals -Slabs -Cuneiform Inscriptions -Statues -Figurine -Obelisks -Stone Carving -Illustrations -Drawings -Plaques -Monuments -Temples -Mysteries and related subjects

This collaborative commentary on, or dictionary of, Kings, explores cross-cutting aspects of Kings ranging from the analysis of its composition, historically regarded, to its transmission and reception. Ample attention is accorded sources, figures and peoples who play a part in the book. The commentary deals with Kings treatment in translation and role in later ancient literature. While our comments do not proceed verse by verse, the volume furnishes guidance, from contributors highly qualified to advance contemporary discussion, on the book's historical background, its literary intentions and characteristics, and on themes and motifs central to its understanding, both of itself and of the world from which it arose. This volume functions as a meta-commentary, offering windows into the secondary literature, but assembling data more fully than is the case in individual commentaries.

Discover the peoples and cultures from the Stone Age (two million years ago) through the Egyptians and Babylonians.

The Sumerian World explores the archaeology, history and art of southern Mesopotamia and its relationships with its neighbours from c.3,000 - 2,000BC. Including material hitherto unpublished from recent excavations, the articles are organised thematically using evidence from archaeology, texts and the natural sciences. This broad treatment will also make the volume of interest to students looking for comparative data in allied subjects such as ancient literature and early religions. Providing an authoritative, comprehensive and up to date overview of the Sumerian period written by some of the best qualified scholars in the field, The Sumerian World will satisfy students, researchers, academics, and the knowledgeable layperson wishing to understand the world of southern Mesopotamia in the third millennium.

This book uses insights from religious studies, literary theory, and the history of science for understanding the Sumerian composition Nanše and the Birds in the context of the Old Babylonian scribal school. It contains editions of all the relevant Sumerian texts.

The political, religious, and social life of one of the world's oldest societies are described by a leading Sumerologist

No one has hitherto had the breadth of imagination and intellectual boldness to describe and analyse government throughout recorded history and throughout the world. This unique study of government is the culmination of the work of the late S. E. Finer, one of the leading political scientists of the twentieth century. Ranging over 5,000 years, from the Sumerian city state to the modern European nation state, five themes emerge: state-building, military formats, belief systems, social stratification, and timespan. The three volumes examine both representative and exceptional polities, and focus on political elites of different types. Ancient Monarchies and Empires opens with Finer's masterly Conceptual Prologue, setting out the entire scope and structure of The History. Books One and Two then consider early examples of the predominantly 'palace' type of polity, notably in respect of the Kingdoms of Egypt and the Empires of Assyria, Persia, Han China, and Rome; interspersed with consideration of the 'exceptional' Jewish Kingdoms and the Greek and Roman Republics. Professor Finer's cogent descriptive analysis offers both an invaluable reference resource and an exhilarating journey across time and space.

The name of Gilgamesh is one that resounds all over the world and has been well-known for thousands of years. Of all the most illustrious figures of history and human heritage, Gilgamesh also happens to be one of the most mysterious. This is because, in a way, there are two sides to Gilgamesh and two ways in which we approach his story. As far as official history is concerned, Gilgamesh was most likely an ancient Sumerian king who ruled the city-state of Uruk at some point between 2800 and 2500 BCE. In literature, folklore, and ancient traditions of Mesopotamia, Gilgamesh has become the subject of many legends and one of the most important heroes in Mesopotamian mythology. Gilgamesh's legendary life was a story of great triumphs, falls, loss, soul-searching, and a quest for meaning. It is a story that involves a great character arc since Gilgamesh's physical journey is matched only by the distance he had traveled toward growing as a ruler and as a man.

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