AP World History

 • Key Concept 2.2. The Development of States and Empires

 • Key Concept 2.3. Emergence of Trans-regional Networks of Communication and Exchange

Ask yourself the following questions to further identify key aspects about your civilization in addition to filling out the SPICE chart.

1. Key people?

2. How did the civ impose political unity on previous competing states/peoples?

3. What administrative institutions did they use? (i.e. satraps, dukes, bureaucracies etc.)

4. What techniques did your civ use to project their military power over large areas?

 (diplomacy, create supply lines, build fortifications, walls, roads, recruiting locals for the military etc.)

5. Techniques to assimilate the conquered peoples? (promotion of trade, issue currency, roads etc.)

6. Identify key cities

7. What role did cities play in your civ?

8. How did the civ maintain food production & provide rewards to maintain the loyalty of the elites?

 (corvee, slavery, rents, tributes, peasant communities etc.)

9. What was the nature of its patriarchy?

10. How did the patriarchy shape gender and family relations?

11. How did the civ overuse their resources that then negatively impacted the environment?

 (deforestation, desertification, soil erosion, silted rivers etc.)

12. How did this natural resource overuse impact the civ?

13. What security threats appeared on the frontiers and how did the civ cope with those threats?

14. What trade routes developed and where?

15. What new technologies facilitated long-distance communication & exchange?

16. What domesticated animals were used for #15?

17. What techs, ideas, religions, peoples & disease spread via the trade routes and what were their effects on the

 civ?