Chapter 2: Early Societies in Southwest Asia and the Indo-European Migrations

Text Questions: Fully answer the following questions in you notebook.

"The Broader Influence of Mesopotamian Society" (Pages 45-51)

1. Identify ways in which Mesopotamian society affected that of the Hebrews and Israelites.

2. Why did the Phoenicians turn to trade as an economic basis for their civilization?

3. What were some of the effects and impacts of the Phoenicians establishing their trade and communication networks?

4. Identify ways in which Phoenicians society was affected by Mesopotamian culture.

"The Indo-European Migrations" (Pages 51-55)

1. What explains the basis for the close relationship between Indo-European languages?

2. Where is the geographic homeland of the Indo-European speakers?

3. What was the significance of the Indo-European domestication of the horse?

4. Your text identifies the Hittites as the "most influential Indo-European migrants." Identify evidence to support this statement.