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Usage Guide:

1. Print and copy the version of the student handout you wish to use from this (with or without Word Bank), or assign various puzzles depending upon ability.
2. Instruct students to answer the clues in order to uncover the words that are in the word search.
3. Look for each term in the word search puzzle.
4. Go over as a class using the answer key provided.

Here is a Google link for the 2 puzzles:

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1r07Bm988FJDWZai7KQZ-b1YeptCQfCJmSG_dpruLxYw/copy

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MESOPOTAMIA

Word Bank

ASSYRIANS
 BABYLON
 BRONZE AGE
 CUNEIFORM
 EUFRATES
 FERTILE CRESCENT
 GILGAMESH
 HAMMURABIS CODE
 HANGING GARDENS
 PERSIAN EMPIRE
 POLYTHEISM
 SUMERIANS
 TIGRIS
 ZIGGURAT

B	T	E	P	C	L	C	I	O	F	K	Z	H	Z	K	P	G	X
H	A	M	M	U	R	A	B	I	S	C	O	D	E	M	E	F	T
H	A	S	F	Q	M	E	D	B	D	R	I	N	R	Q	R	Z	T
T	A	T	N	W	L	B	T	T	Y	I	C	O	S	T	S	I	I
R	T	N	C	A	A	Q	N	A	D	J	F	I	N	E	I	G	I
W	P	B	G	B	I	N	W	D	C	I	W	E	X	B	A	G	J
H	H	L	Y	I	E	R	D	Y	E	B	C	U	C	Z	N	U	L
G	F	L	G	A	N	S	E	N	L	S	Z	U	U	F	E	R	A
A	O	J	F	D	E	G	U	M	E	J	P	U	Q	J	M	A	H
N	C	A	Q	G	U	C	G	R	U	O	G	A	A	B	P	T	B
G	U	A	O	I	G	M	C	A	L	S	S	I	R	G	I	T	Y
G	M	A	S	M	B	E	X	Y	R	J	Y	Q	V	D	R	Q	X
D	Y	Z	T	S	L	C	T	H	W	D	B	C	T	F	E	L	D
F	G	L	C	I	Y	H	T	S	Q	L	E	W	L	U	N	F	W
O	L	A	T	B	E	R	G	E	B	R	O	N	Z	E	A	G	E
Q	Y	R	Z	I	S	T	I	M	E	U	Z	E	S	O	U	T	A
Y	E	H	S	M	D	R	B	A	S	E	T	A	R	H	P	U	E
F	Q	M	R	M	R	Y	O	G	N	O	J	H	N	X	Z	P	C
V	K	A	E	X	U	L	L	L	W	S	Q	A	O	C	O	L	Y
F	S	W	L	T	F	K	X	I	I	Y	Z	Y	Z	P	D	H	U
X	H	Z	P	D	D	D	C	G	W	M	V	H	A	B	C	W	F
T	N	H	B	D	U	P	E	B	N	X	Y	U	M	Z	B	X	A
Y	U	B	O	M	Y	N	Q	D	T	E	X	V	D	R	S	V	I

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Directions:
Answer the
clues below to
uncover the
hidden words.
The first letter
of each term is
provided.

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R	T	N	C	A	A	Q	N	A	D	J	F	I	N	E	I	G	I
W	P	B	G	B	I	N	W	D	C	I	W	E	X	B	A	G	J
H	H	L	Y	I	E	R	D	Y	E	B	C	U	C	Z	N	U	L
G	F	L	G	A	N	S	E	N	L	S	Z	U	U	F	E	R	A
A	O	J	F	D	E	G	U	M	E	J	P	U	Q	J	M	A	H
N	C	A	Q	G	U	C	G	R	U	O	G	A	A	B	P	T	B
G	U	A	O	I	G	M	C	A	L	S	S	I	R	G	I	T	Y
G	M	A	S	M	B	E	X	Y	R	J	Y	Q	V	D	R	Q	X
D	Y	Z	T	S	L	C	T	H	W	D	B	C	T	F	E	L	D
F	G	L	C	I	Y	H	T	S	Q	L	E	W	L	U	N	F	W
O	L	A	T	B	E	R	G	E	B	R	O	N	Z	E	A	G	E
Q	Y	R	Z	I	S	T	I	M	E	U	Z	E	S	O	U	T	A
Y	E	H	S	M	D	R	B	A	S	E	T	A	R	H	P	U	E
F	Q	M	R	M	R	Y	O	G	N	O	J	H	N	X	Z	P	C
V	K	A	E	X	U	L	L	L	W	S	Q	A	O	C	O	L	Y
F	S	W	L	T	F	K	X	I	I	Y	Z	Y	Z	P	D	H	U
X	H	Z	P	D	D	D	C	G	W	M	V	H	A	B	C	W	F
T	N	H	B	D	U	P	E	B	N	X	Y	U	M	Z	B	X	A
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T	A	T	N	W	L	B	T	T	Y	I	C	O	S	T	S	I	I
R	T	N	C	A	A	Q	N	A	D	J	F	I	N	E	I	G	I
W	P	B	G	B	I	N	W	D	C	I	W	E	X	B	A	G	J
H	H	L	Y	I	E	R	D	Y	E	B	C	U	C	Z	N	U	L
G	F	L	G	A	N	S	E	N	L	S	Z	U	U	F	E	R	A
A	O	J	F	D	E	G	U	M	E	J	P	U	Q	J	M	A	H
N	C	A	Q	G	U	C	G	R	U	O	G	A	A	B	P	T	B
G	U	A	O	I	G	M	C	A	L	S	S	I	R	G	I	T	Y
G	M	A	S	M	B	E	X	Y	R	J	Y	Q	V	D	R	Q	X
D	Y	Z	T	S	L	C	T	H	W	D	B	C	T	F	E	L	D
F	G	L	C	I	Y	H	T	S	Q	L	E	W	L	U	N	F	W
O	L	A	T	B	E	R	G	E	B	R	O	N	Z	E	A	G	E
Q	Y	R	Z	I	S	T	I	M	E	U	Z	E	S	O	U	T	A
Y	E	H	S	M	D	R	B	A	S	E	T	A	R	H	P	U	E
F	Q	M	R	M	R	Y	O	G	N	O	J	H	N	X	Z	P	C
V	K	A	E	X	U	L	L	L	W	S	Q	A	O	C	O	L	Y
F	S	W	L	T	F	K	X	I	I	Y	Z	Y	Z	P	D	H	U
X	H	Z	P	D	D	D	C	G	W	M	V	H	A	B	C	W	F
T	N	H	B	D	U	P	E	B	N	X	Y	U	M	Z	B	X	A
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**Answer
Key**

Use the clues and the word bank to fill in the terms. The first letter has been provided.

- Tigris -- Great river providing the eastern border of Mesopotamia
- Euphrates -- Great river providing western border of Mesopotamia
- Sumerians -- First known civilization in region, established around 5000 BCE
- Fertile Crescent -- Crescent shaped area of fertile land
- Gilgamesh -- Ancient epic poem from Mesopotamia, oldest surviving text
- Ziggurat -- Large religious building made to worship various gods
- Polytheism -- Religious system with multiple gods
- Cuneiform -- Form of writing using wedges to form marks on tablets
- Hammurabi's Code -- Law code of Babylonian king
- Babylon -- Capital of Babylonian Empire; would be located in current day Iraq
- Hanging Gardens -- Grand Babylonian gardens; one of seven wonders of world
- Nebuchadnezzar -- Long reigning Babylonian king (605-562 BCE)
- Bronze Age -- Historical period characterized by societal use of bronze
- Assyrians -- People from Northern Mesopotamia known for its warriors
- Persian Empire -- Empire founded by Cyrus the Great, based in Persia

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