

## Ch 24-2

### History, Religion, and Governments of S. Asia

**Identify:** After reading the PowerPoint notes define or explain each of the following terms.

Mohenio-Daro -

Hindu Kush -

Gupta Empire -

Maurva Empire -

Mogul Empire -

British India -

Eastern Pakistan -

**Objectives:** After completing this exercise you should be able to:

1. Explain the early civilizations that developed in S. Asia.
2. Compare the characteristics of Hinduism and Buddhism.
3. Identify the empires established in S. Asia.
4. Explain how S. Asians achieved independence.

**Notes/Questions:** Read through the PowerPoint notes for 24-2 and answer the following questions. Please type in red font and print on the color printer. You may also refer to your textbook or resources online like [Wikipedia.com](http://Wikipedia.com).

1. What attracted settlers to S. Asia?
2. Who were the three groups of settlers over the years in S. Asia?
3. When was the first civilization in the Indus Valley?
  - a. Who founded it?
  - b. What did this group establish?
  - c. What major city was established?
  - d. When did it decline?
  - e. Why did it decline?
  - f. Who took their place?
4. What is left behind from the Aryans?
  - a. How was their society divided?
  - b. What did this division of society develop into?
    - i. Is it flexible or rigid?
    - ii. How long did this system last in India?
5. What culture group did Hinduism develop from?
  - a. Is Hinduism a philosophy or a religion?
  - b. What is dharma?
  - c. What is karma?
  - d. What is reincarnation?

- i. How does one achieve Moksha?
  - e. What is their view of Cows?
    - i. Why? (hint, look it up on wiki)
  - f. What god do Hindus worship?
6. Who started Buddhism?
- a. When did Buddhism start?
  - b. What caused the founder to explore the world?
  - c. What does Buddha mean?
  - d. What was Buddha's explanation of human suffering?
  - e. What three things does one need to do to end suffering and the cycle of rebirth?
  - f. What is nirvana in Buddhism?
7. What mountain range did successive invasions to S. Asia come through?
8. When was the Maurya empire ruling S. Asia?
9. When was the Gupta dynasty in power in N. India?
10. When did the Muslims arrive in S. Asia?
- a. When did the Muslim conquerors rule S. Asia?
11. When did the European invaders arrive in S. Asia?
- a. Which group of Europeans was first?
  - b. Who ruled India in the early 1600's?
    - i. How did it gain so much power in the region?
    - ii. What three changes did the English bring to India?
12. Explain how India gained their independence from England.
13. When did India gain independence from England?
14. How was the region divided after independence?
15. When did Ceylon gain their independence from Britain?
16. Describe the migration that occurred in 1947 in S. Asia.
17. What happened in E. Pakistan in 1971?
18. Describe the types of governments in the following countries:
- a. India
  - b. Sri Lanka and Bangladesh
  - c. Pakistan
  - d. Bhutan and Nepal