GRAPES Guiding Questions

G Geography

How did the location of this civilization affect its development?

- · How did the environment affect people, and how did people shape the environment?
- · What were some of the key geographical features or landforms in this area?

R Religion

- What factors contributed to the development of this religion or belief system?
- What did this religion believe about gods? (was it polytheistic or monotheistic?)
- · How did religion shape other aspects of this society/ civilization?

A Achievements

• What achievements (scientific/mathematical inventions, technology, etc.) did this civilization develop?

- · In what way did these achievements relate to other cultures?
- · How are these achievements still used today?

P Politics

- · How were politics organized in this civilization?
- · What may have led to these political practices and ideas?
- · Who was involved in the politics? Did everyone have an equal opportunity?
- · Were there laws in this civilization? Who created them? Who benefited from them?

E Economics

- · What economic practices (trade, etc.) did this civilization have?
- · How did trade work in this civilization? What did they trade?
- How did the geography relate to trade in this civilization?

S Social Structure

- · How many social classes did this civilization have?
- · What were they and who comprised each?
- Who benefited from these social classes? Who was harmed from these social classes?

How did the social structure relate to other aspects of this civilization?