Geography of Mesopotamia NOTES

1. Why was Mesopotamia called the “Fertile Crescent?”
2. Rivers flood & deposit sediment called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, which is like mud.
3. Define:
   1. Subsistence: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
   2. Surplus: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
4. Fill in the chart on the effects of Mesopotamia’s geography.

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| **PROBLEMS** | **SOLUTIONS** |
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1. Water is good for what 2 things?
2. What are 2 most common ways cultural diffusion occurs?
3. Label the 3 social classes of ancient Mesopotamia.

🡪 Who is down here (not on the pyramid)? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. What is irrigation?
2. Why was Hammurabi’s code so important?
3. Hammurabi’s code believed in “an eye for an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”
4. What was Sumer’s writing system called?