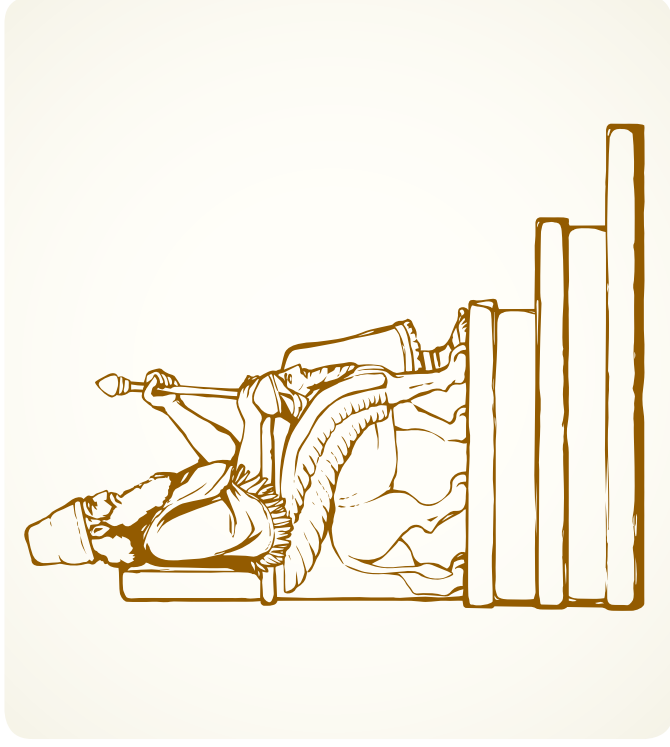




4000 BC

First Ziggurat temples are
built in Ancient Sumer.



5000 BC

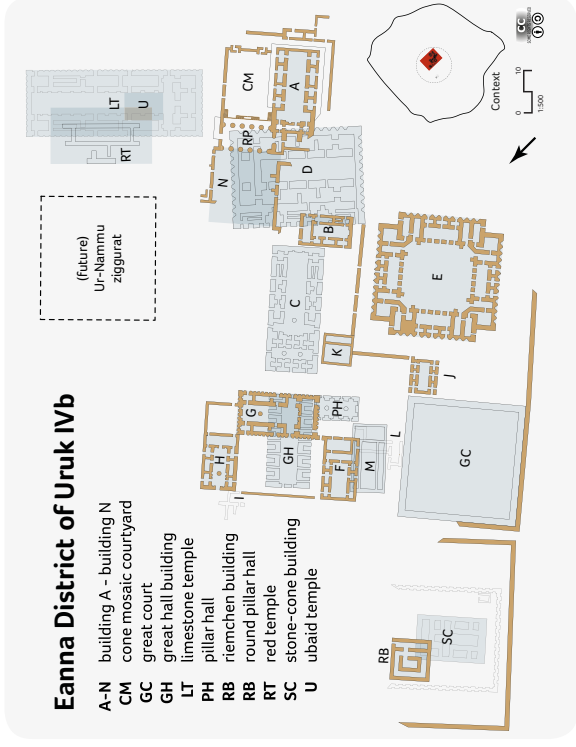
First Sumerians arrive.





3300 BC

Writing invented – based on pictures.



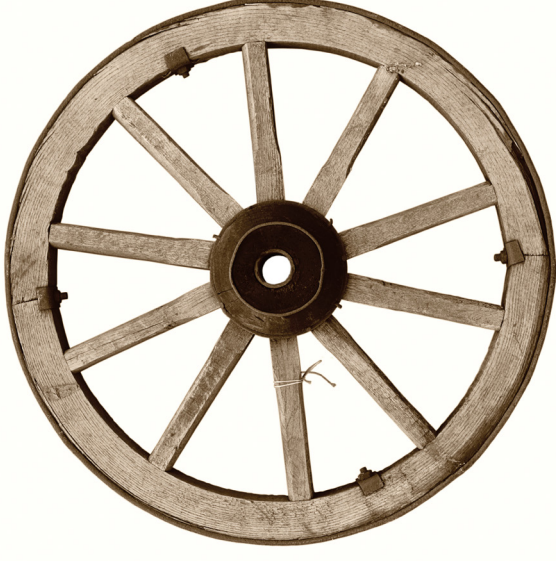
3500 BC

Unification of the city states of Ancient Sumer – **Uruk** became the **busiest city in the world.**



3000 BC

Base 60 mathematics
introduced (the system we still
use to measure time).



3200 BC

Wheel first used on carts.





1950 BC

The Elamites begin their capture of Sumerian city states, leading to the **end of the Ancient Sumerian period.**



2350 BC

Cuneiform writing develops.





2600 BC

Start of the ‘**mature period**’
of the Indus Civilization,
with towns and cities growing
up around the floodplain.



3000 BC

Small towns begin to develop
in the **Indus Valley**.





2300 BC

Indus Valley traders travel
to Mesopotamia for
trade their goods.



2600 BC

Evidence of farmers using
ploughs on their fields.





1500 BC

Indus Valley cities are in **ruins**.



1800 - 1900 BC

Beginning of the **decline** of the
Ancient Indus civilization with
the **cities being abandoned**.





3500 BC

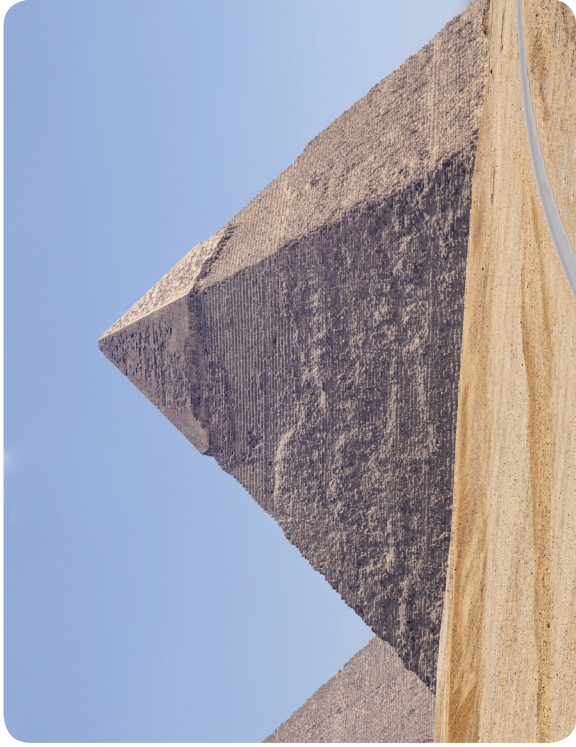
First use of **hieroglyphic** symbols.



7500 BC

First settlers in the Nile Valley.





2550 BC

Pyramids at Giza built.



2650 BC

First step pyramid built.





196 BC

Rosetta stone carved – it has writing in **Ancient Greek** and **Ancient Egyptian** hieroglyphs, so later allowed historians to work out how hieroglyphs worked.



332 BC

Alexander the Great of Greece **conquers Egypt** and founds Alexandria.





1799 AD

French soldiers rebuilding
a fort in Egypt discover the
Rosetta Stone.



30 BC

Egypt becomes a **Roman Province.**





1922 AD

Howard Carter discovers
Tutankhamen's tomb in the
Valley of the Kings.



1920 AD

Large scale excavations start
after archaeologists realise that
the ruins of **Mohenjodaro** and
Harappa actually came from the
same **unknown civilisation**.





1300 BC

The capital city of the
Shang Dynasty moves to **Anyang**.



1600 - 1500 BC

Cheng Tang founds the
Shang Dynasty.





1899 AD

'Dragon bones' used in Chinese medicine were found inscribed.



1046 BC

Zhou conquest means the end of the Shang Dynasty.

