Mr. Valentine’s 10th Grade English – Study Guide for Unit 1, Week 1 – Historical Introduction

1. Who were the Sumerians, and where / when did they live?

2. What are ziggurats?

3. What is cuneiform?

4. Who conquered the Sumerians first, second, and third?

5. What is papyrus?

6. What were the three kingdoms of Egypt, and what were they known for?

7. Who were the pharaohs, and how does the word “theocracy” apply to their rule?

8. What are hieroglyphs?

9. Who were the Israelites, and why, according to their sacred texts, did they leave Egypt?

10. Who conquered Jerusalem from the Israelites, and how did they get it back?