

## SPECIALIZED

WORKERS - development of skills in a certain job  
- they can do this, b/c of food surpluses  
Ex) Merchants, Traders, Teachers, Scribes

## COMPLEX INSTITUTIONS - long

lasting pattern of organization

- As populations increased a system of ruling became necessary.
- Government, economies, schools, hospitals and religion are examples of institutions

## RELIGION

- Temple was a hub for government and religion
- Most early civilizations were Polytheistic

## ADVANCED CITIES

- \* Birthplace of first civilization
- \* Center of trade
- \* Variety of goods for exchange.

## CHARACTERISTICS OF CIVILIZATION

## ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY

- \* plows, irrigation for farming
- \* Bronze Age: 3000 B.C, made weapons & body armor
- \* potter's wheel to make bowls, plates...

## RECORD KEEPING

- \* Scribes - professional record keepers
- \* cuneiform - wedge shaped writing
- \* Started written history