**Ancient India Map**

**Map:**

Complete the Map Activity using the Atlas and/or your text

Locate and label the following:

Indus & Ganges River

Indus River Valley Civilization (Harappan)

Hindu Kush & Himalaya Mountains

Aryan Civilization (Indo-Europeans) 🡪 Then draw arrows to show the path of Aryan Migration to Europe and India (use your text book)

Deccan Plateau & Thar Desert

Eastern & Western Ghat Mountains

**Save the Map, you will be adding more information to the map as we continue our unit on India**

What happened to the people who originally inhabited the Indus Valley (Harappan) civilization and why?

Based on the maps, what areas of India would be likely to develop thriving civilizations and why? What areas would not be as good for civilization?

What other religion & culture have we learned about in class that was heavily influences by the Indo-Aryans peoples?

What was the Axial Age? What was religion focused on before and after the Axial Age transformation?

**Ancient Indian Religion**

You will be responsible for knowing each term listed below as we go through our unit on Ancient India. You can begin to find the definitions in your textbook if you finish the map early

**Hinduism**: The term created by Europeans to define the various religious practices that make up the Indian subcontinent. It is a loosely connected set of beliefs and practices that the people of India practice, but varies by tribe and region and has changed over time.

**Brahmanism:** The term historians use for the pre-Hindu religion based on the texts of the Vedas and focused heavily on rituals and the caste system.

**Sanskrit**

**Vedas**

**-Rig-Veda**

**-Sarawsati (River & God)**

**Upanishads**

**Mahabharata**

**-Bhagavad Gita**

**Prince Arjun**

**Shiva & Krishna**

**Brahman**

**Atman**

**Moksha**

**Reincarnation**

**Karma**

**Dharma**

**Shiva, Vishnu, Brahma**

**Caste System**

**Brahmin Priests**

**Warrior**

**Farmers & Merchants**

**Untouchables**

**Ascetic**

Maurya Empire

-Chandragupta

-Ashoka

Gupta Empire