Written Law Codes

- 10 Commandments
- Hammurabi's Code
- Draco's Code
- 12 Tables
- Justinian's Code
- Napoleonic Code

Nile River Valley

- Geographic Issues
  - Floods predictably (develop calendar)
  - River deposits **silt** on banks
  - Access to travel/trade
  - Grow papyrus (turn into paper)
  - River flows **north** into Mediterranean Sea
  - Egyptians forced to live close to river (little cultural diffusion)

The Nile River
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Mediteranean sea
Nile River Delta
Rosetta & Damietta branches
EGYPT
SAUDI ARABIA
The Great Bend
Red Sea
City of Khartoum
White Nile & Blue Nile intersection
SUDAN
ETHIOPIA
Lake Victoria
UGANDA
DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO
KENYA
Indian Ocean

Nile River Valley

- Egypt = "gift of the Nile"
- Without the river there is no Egyptian civilization
- Silt very fertile
- Desert very harsh
- Irrigation ditches to water crops
- Surpluses led to civilization

Nile River Valley

- Egypt
  - Polytheism
    - Kings (pharaohs were god-kings)
    - Egyptian government was **theocracy** (based on religious teaching/rules)

Nile River Valley

- Egypt
  - Pyramids were actually tombs for pharaohs
  - Pharaohs were mummified
  - Bodies dried and preserved for use in the afterlife

Nile River Valley

- Egypt
  - Writing developed called hieroglyphics
    - Glyphs are symbols/pictures
    - First written on stone
    - Hieroglyphics written on early paper made from papyrus