

Ancient India

Review

At the end of this unit, students will be able to:

- What caused the floods on the Indus River? What were the results of those floods?
- What do the terms subcontinent, monsoon, and mountain range mean?
- How was Aryan civilization different from Harappan civilization?
- What was the caste system in Indian society like? How was one's caste determined?
- What are the core beliefs of Hinduism? What is reincarnation? The caste system? Karma? What are Vedic texts?
- What are the four main teachings of Jainism?
- What are the four "noble truths" of Buddhism? What is the Buddhist explanation for human suffering?
- How did Buddhism challenge Hinduism? How did it grow and change after the Buddha died?
- What were the Mauryan and Gupta Empires like? What role did religion play in each?
- What were the major artistic and scientific achievements of ancient Indian society?