# Chapter 2 Section 2

Fertile Crescent Empires

## The Babylonian Empire

- \_\_\_\_\_- an area of many territories and peoples that is controlled by one government
  \_\_\_\_\_- Babylonian Empire- 1787bc
  - Conquered Sumer city-states
  - Capital-
  - Travel roads- \_\_\_\_\_ (groups of travelers) stopped in Babylon

(markets)- Indian cotton and

Egyptian spices

– Wealth led to Babylonian fall- 1500s bc

#### The Empire of the Assyrians

- Prone to \_\_\_\_\_- in open land
- Best \_\_\_\_\_\_ is a good \_\_\_\_\_\_ skilled warriors
- 1365bc-650bc- expanded large empire from Nile to Persian Gulf

#### The Empire of the Assyrians

• Assyria's Contributions

\_\_\_\_\_ to hurl stones

\_\_\_\_\_ with armor

– Armed \_

- Capital- \_\_\_\_\_- city of learning
  - Large \_\_\_\_\_

## The Empire of the Assyrians

Assyria Overthrown

Unhappy ruled subjects- often

- united to defeat

Assyrians in 612 bc

#### Babylonia Rises Again

King of Babylon

- Rebuilt Babylon- surrounded with large walls
- Gigantic palace- colored tiles-

- trees and gardens

• Built for wife

# Babylonia Rises Again

- Advances in Learning
  - Became center of learning and science
    - Charted paths of stars
    - Measured \_\_\_\_\_\_ within a few minutes
    - Raised \_\_\_\_\_\_

– 539 bc defeated by \_\_\_\_\_

\_, led by

Babylon not destroyed

#### The Persian Empire

- Modern day \_\_\_\_\_
- Largest empire ever based in FC
- 490 bc- Greece to India

#### The Persian Empire

• A Rich and Tolerant Culture

\_\_\_\_\_- ancient Persian religion-

\_\_\_\_\_- complex structure of

government offices

- \_\_\_\_\_ network across entire empire
- Tolerated other peoples
  - Freed Jews from Babylonian captivity
- Supported science and math
- Lasting Influence
  - Conquest and trade- spread of Persian religion, government, and learning
  - Helped shape modern civilization