Section 5

THE CULTURES OF NUBIA
Nubia and Egypt

– __________________loved sports-
– 690bc- crowned king of Nubia and Egypt
– Some Nubian burial sites have artifacts from 6000bc
– 3100bc- many rises and fall of Nubian kingdoms
Nubia and Egypt

- Egypt called Nubia Ta Sety
- Skilled archers- often ________________ in Egyptian armies
Nubia and Egypt

• Valuable Resources
  – ________________________________ (a mineral or combination of minerals mined for the production of metals)
  – Nubia connected Egypt to central Africa
  – Lower Nubia- in the north, between 1st and 2nd cataracts
  – Upper Nubia- in south between 2nd and 6th cataracts-rivaled Egypt for power and land
    • Kerma, Napata, and Meroe- ruled by Kushites- peopled of southern Nubia
The Kerma Culture

- Kerma’s Wealth
  - 2000-1500 bc
  - Gained power and wealth from trade control
  - Artisans (workers skilled at crafting items by hand)- fancy ______________________
  - Royal burials- earth mounds the size of _________________________________

- Kings bodies on golden beds surrounded by jewelry, gold, ivory
The Kerma Culture

• Conflict with Egypt
  – 50 year war between Thutmose I and Nubia in 1500s bc
  – __________________________ won, controlled as far south as 4th cataract for 700 years
  – Blending of Nubian and Egyptian culture including religion and architecture
Napata and Meroe

- The Capital of Napata
  - Late 700s BC: Kushites expanded power into Egypt - capital __________________________
    - Moved capital to Thebes then Memphis
    - Taharka controlled all of Egypt - 25th Egyptian dynasty was __________________________
  - Admired Egyptians: built small pyramids for tombs of kings
  - 660 BC: forced back into Nubia - moved capital further south to __________________________ - never again controlled Egypt
Napata and Meroe

• The Capital of Meroe
  – Center of Nubian empire- stretched into central Africa
  – Used __________________________ to make weapons and tools
    • Iron plow- lots of food
    • Iron weapons- controlled trade to Red Sea
    • Grew rich
  – Still don’t fully understand Nubian hieroglyphics
  – 200s ad- fell to __________________________- culture still reflected in modern day Sudan