Lost cities

The lost city of Mohenjo – Daro

The lost city of Mohenjo – Daro existed more than 4000 years ago in the Indus Valley in South Asia. People from the Indus Valley civilization lived there between 2600 and 1900 bc. Mohenjo – Daro means Mound of the Dead. Nobody lives there today, but archaeologists think that more than 35 000 people lived there in the past. The city is about 1,5 square kilometres in size. The ruins of the city, in Pakistan, are a UNESCO World Heritage Site.





Match the words with the definitions.

1 a bracelet

a) containers, often used for food

2 drains

b) a piece of jewellery that goes around your wrist

3 an artefact

c) a place where people live together

4 mud

d) a deep hole dug in the ground to provide water

5 a settlement city

e) the system of passages for water and waste in a town or

6 a well

f) a man-made object

7 a brick

g) a mixture of water and earth

8 pots

h) a block for building houses

First Street

First Street is the most famous street in Mohenjo -Daro; it's ten metres wide in some places. Many of the house walls are still standing. The people made bricks from mud and dried them in the sun. They used the bricks to build foundations, walls, buildings and wells.





Houses

The houses had rooms with windows and doors and some possibly had rooms for bathing. Most houses had drains to take away the dirty water and some had wells to provide fresh water.



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answers.

1 Mohenjo – Daro means . . . houses

4 Archaeologists found a system of ... In the

a) ... Mound of Indus.

a) towns

b) ... Mountain of Death.

b) drains

c) ... Mound of the Dead.

- c) roads
- 2 The city is about . . . Square kilometres in size.
- 5 They made . . . from mud.

a) 1,5

a) walls

b) 15

b) wells

c) 5,1

c) bricks

- 3 Many house walls in First Street ...
 - a) ... aren't there any more.
 - b) ... are still there.
 - c) . . . are underground.

The most famous lost cities

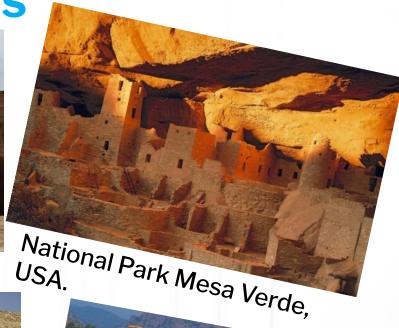




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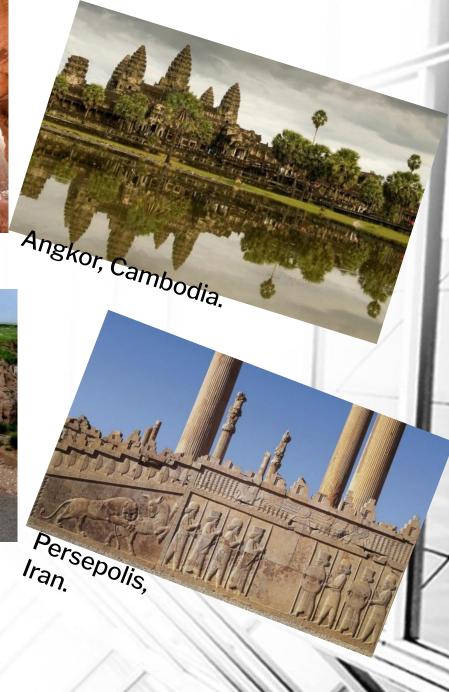




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