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Vocabulary Matching (12 points)

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__________ 3. Hierarchy C. Religion with multiple gods and goddesses
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Multiple Choice (10 points)

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   A. Christian
   B. Monotheistic
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   A. Tigris and Euphrates
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16. Cuneiform was a system of writing developed in ____________.
   A. Africa
   B. Mesopotamia
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17. All of the following are empires that developed in Ancient Mesopotamia except...
   A. Babylon
   B. Persia
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18. Ancient Egyptians became experts at ___________ and ___________ to better understand the flood of the Nile
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Short Answer

28. Name 3 contributions of Ancient Mesopotamia. (3 points)

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