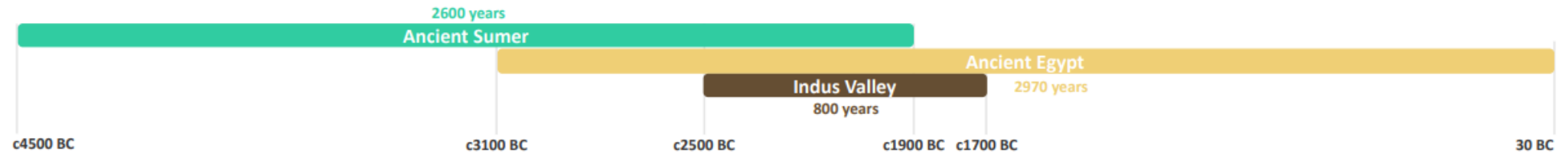


# Ancient Civilisations

A civilisation is a developed society. Civilisations share common features, including cities, inventions, language, writing, hierarchy, leadership, infrastructure, arts and culture, trade and religion. Ancient civilisations first appeared over 6000 years ago in, or near, a semicircular area of land in the Middle East known as the Fertile Crescent. The climate, availability of water and variety of plants in the Fertile Crescent meant that nomadic hunter-gatherers could settle in one place and begin to farm for the first time.

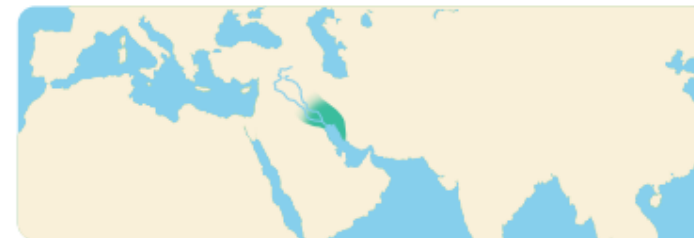


Key Vocabulary	
<b>ancient</b>	Something from a very long time ago.
<b>civilisation</b>	A human society with well-developed rules and government, often where technology and the arts are considered important.
<b>Egypt</b>	The country on the continent of Africa where the <b>ancient</b> Egyptian civilisation was created.
<b>hieroglyphics</b>	A system of writing that consists of pictures and symbols ( <b>hieroglyphs</b> ) instead of letters.
<b>irrigation</b>	A system of canals or channels dug by the <b>Egyptians</b> to supply water to grow crops over a larger area than the water would naturally reach.
<b>the Nile</b>	A river that runs through <b>Egypt</b> . It was essential to life in <b>ancient Egypt</b> .
<b>pharaoh</b>	A ruler of <b>ancient Egypt</b> .
<b>tomb</b>	A sealed room where a person was placed after death.

## Ancient Egypt



## Ancient Sumer



## Tutankhamun

Tutankhamun was a **pharaoh** known more recently as the 'boy king' because he became **pharaoh** when he was 9 years old.

His **tomb** was discovered by Howard Carter and his team in the Valley of the Kings in 1922.

The discovery helped people to understand more about the **Egyptians pharaohs**.



Tutankhamun's death mask