

# Chapter 1: Before History Student Notes

## Background

1. What factors affect how people live?
2. Why do people live in such diverse areas?
3. How do we know about these ancient people?

## Paleolithic Era

4. What is migration and where do people originate?

## Foragers

5. What is a forager?
6. What is indigenous technical knowledge? What IDK must foraging peoples know?
7. What are the two most important tools used by Paleo peoples?
8. What is a nomadic lifestyle and why does foraging require it?

## Culture

9. What is culture?
10. What is a band? What kind of governments do bands generally have?
11. What is a tribe?
12. What is a chiefdom?
13. In a foraging society, who is responsible for manufacturing goods and tools?
14. Describe cultural diffusion.
15. Describe typical religious practice of foraging peoples.

## New Lifestyles

16. What was the Neolithic revolution?
17. Where did the Neolithic revolution take place?

18. What is required to undergo the Neolithic transformation? How did this transformation impact the environment?

19. What is pastoralism?

20. What are the advantages of domestication?

21. How did people's lifestyle patterns change due to the Neolithic revolution? What is the order of population centers in terms of size?

## Impacts of New Ways of Living

22. How did the way people acquired food change? What is specialization of labor?

23. How did production, trade, and transportation change?

24. How is a city different from the smaller population centers?