Standart metal coins, road system and postal system.

**Egypt**

- Civilization grew around Nile
- Surrounded completely by desert
  - Protected from attack for 3000 years
- Floods deposited rich silt
- Today 99% of Egypt’s population lives on only 3% of its land as 97% was desert
- Ruled by Pharaohs
  - Considered gods, divine, immortal
  - Believed Pharaohs made the sun rise, Nile flood, crops grow, etc.
  - Ruled even after death, pyramids were stocked with material comforts and luxuries.
  - Mummified after death
- Social classes
  - Nobles lived luxurious lives
  - Gender equality
  - Peasants and slaves existed
- Polytheists
  - Worshipped Nile/Sun
- Writing
  - Hieroglyphics
    - “Picture Writing”
- Developed many things
  - Calendar
  - Number system
  - Geometric/Architectural Formulas
  - Medical techniques
  - Plastic surgeries
  - 80 pyramids that are still standing (as far as we know. There could be more)
  - Prescriptions of herbal medicines
- Art
  - All human profiles
    - Side view
- Rosetta Stone
  - Translated Hieroglyphics, Demotic, Greek