

## **Early Civilizations Pathfinder**

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### **Grade 6 Ohio Academic Content Standards:**

History, Early Civilizations (A 3)

3. Describe the early cultural development of humankind from the Paleolithic Era to the revolution of agriculture, including:
  - a. hunter- gatherer societies
  - b. tool making
  - c. use of fire
  - d. domestication of plants and animals
  - e. social advancements
  - f. governance

Social Studies Skills and Methods, Obtaining Information (G 1)

1. Use multiple resources to define essential vocabulary and obtain information for a research project including:
  - a. Almanacs;
  - b. Gazetteers;
  - c. Trade books;
  - d. Periodicals;
  - e. Video tapes;
  - f. Electronic sources

## Social Studies Skills and Methods, Thinking and Organizing (A 3)

3. Analyze information from primary and secondary sources in order to summarize, make generalizations, and draw conclusions.

Description of Pathfinder: This pathfinder was created to provide teachers and students additional resources to help with the study of the Paleolithic Era. The study of the Paleolithic Era is studied in conjunction with Neolithic Man, specifically the four major river civilizations of the Indus, Tigris and Euphrates, Nile, and Huang He.

### Content Categories

#### **Museum Websites for Students:**

1. British Museum website: [www.britishmuseum.org](http://www.britishmuseum.org)

Pathfinder specific:

[http://www.britishmuseum.org/research/research\\_publications/online\\_research\\_publications/stone\\_age\\_artefacts.aspx](http://www.britishmuseum.org/research/research_publications/online_research_publications/stone_age_artefacts.aspx)

2. American Museum of Natural History website: <http://www.amnh.org/>

Pathfinder specific:

<http://www.amnh.org/exhibitions/permanent/humanorigins/history/arrival.php>

3. Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History website:

<http://www.mnh.si.edu/>

Pathfinder specific: <http://humanorigins.si.edu/>

4. University of Pennsylvania Museum of Archeology and Anthropology website address: <http://www.museum.upenn.edu>

Pathfinder specific:

<http://www.penn.museum/documents/publications/expedition/PDFs/50-3/renscher.pdf>

5. Exploratorium: The Museum of Science, Art, and Human Perception website address: <http://www.exploratorium.edu/>

Pathfinder specific: <http://www.exploratorium.edu/evidence/index.html>

(Interactive site on the evidence of human origin)

#### **Additional Websites:**

1. NOVA website address: <http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/>

Pathfinder specific:

<http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/beta/evolution/stone-age-toolkit.html>

(This web page is interactive. Students are presented with the picture of a stone tool and are given four choices as to what they think the purpose of the tool is. After they have given their response, they click on the tool and are given an explanation.)

2. International World History Project website address: <http://history-world.org/mainmenu.htm>

Pathfinder specific: [http://history-world.org/stone\\_age.htm](http://history-world.org/stone_age.htm)

3. National Geographic website address: <http://www.nationalgeographic.com/>

Neanderthal interactive address:

<http://channel.nationalgeographic.com/episode/neanderthal-code-3228/01#tab-interactive>

4. San Antonio College website address: <http://www.alamo.edu/sac/sacmain/sac.htm>

Pathfinder specific (Paleolithic Art):

<http://www.alamo.edu/sac/vat/arthistory/arts1303/PALNEO.htm>

5. Crystalinks Website address: <http://www.crystalinks.com/ancient.html>

Pathfinder specific (Clovis Man): <http://www.crystalinks.com/clovis.html>

6. Jim Hopper Website address: <http://www.jimhopper.com/paleo.html>

Pathfinder specific (Paleolithic Cave Art): <http://www.jimhopper.com/paleo.html>

(Images of cave art from the Paleolithic Era)

#### **INFOhio Electronic Resources:**

1. World Book Student address:

<http://www.worldbookonline.com/student/home?uid=Inoca&pwd=Inoca216>

Pathfinder specific address: "Paleolithic Era"

<http://www.worldbookonline.com/student/article?id=ar444300&st=paleolithic+man>

2. EbscoHost Website: <http://web.ebscohost.com>

Pathfinder specific address "Paleolithic":

<http://web.ebscohost.com/src/detail?vid=3&hid=3&sid=f852dff1-78be-4821-8e34->

