**A.P. World History**

**GEOGRAPHY: THE WORLD OF CLASSICAL CIVILIZATIONS**

**The geographic perspective of the classical world was bigger and more complex than the river valleys of the first civilizations. Classical civilizations spread out. Aspects of physical geography defined the borders of the civilizations. Contacts and sustained communications between the regions arose. Often contacts were across seas, along coasts and rivers, and the plains or steppes between regional centers.**

**TASK: Create maps showing the location and importance of the following topics:**

**I. THEMES: Characteristics of Region; Characteristics of Place**

**II. LOCATE**

**A. BODIES OF WATER**

**1. Bay of Bengal**

**2. Malaccan Straits**

**3. South China Sea**

**4. East China Sea**

**5. Caspian Sea**

**6. Black Sea**

**7. Caribbean Sea**

**8. Gulf of Mexico**

**9. Strait of Gibraltar**

**B. PHYSICAL FEATURES**

**1. Andes Mountains**

**2. Ethiopian Highlands**

**3. Gobi Desert**

**4. Eurasian Steppe**

**5. North Indian River Plain**

**6. Deccan Plateau**

**7. Yucatan Peninsula**

**8. Sahel**

**C. CITIES**

**1. Alexandria**

**2. Xian (Chang’an)**

**3. Rome**

**4. Athens**

**5. Babylon**

**6. Pataliputra**

**7. Maghada**

**8. Teotihuacan**

**9. Moche (Chan-Chan)**

**10. Persepolis**

**11. Carthage**

**12. Constantinople**

**III. IDENTIFY AND LOCATE**

**A. HISTORICAL AND GEOGRAPHICAL REGIONS**

**1. Polynesia, Polynesian Migrations**

**2. Bantu Homeland and Migration**

**3. Central Asia**

**4. The Silk Road**

**5. Monsoon Wind Patterns**

**6. Indian Ocean Trade routes**

**7. Indo-European Migrations**

**B. RIVER VALLEYS**

**1. Rhine**

**2. Danube**

**3. Niger**

**4. Amazon**

**5. Mississippi**

**C. HISTORIC STATES**

**1. Roman Empire**

**2. Ghana**

**3. Nubia**

**4. Ethiopia (Axum)**

**5. Han China**

**6. Maurya, Gupta India**

**7. Mayan City-states**

**8. Hellenistic Empires**

**9. Persian Empire (Achaemenid)**

**10. Kushan State**

**11. Sassanid Empire**

**12. Parthian Empire**

**13. Carthaginian Empire**

**14. Phoenician culture**

**15. Minoans**

**16. Mycenaeans**

**Remember:**

* **You may choose to create THREE different maps with the following topics:**
1. **Bodies of Water with Physical Features and Rivers**
2. **Historical and Geographical Regions**
3. **Historical States and Cities**
* **Or you may create SIX different maps with the separate topics detailed in the outline.**
* **Be sure your map is accurate to scale, location, etc… It should be titled, accurate, complete, neat and indicative of research and understanding of the concepts.**