**Fertile Crescent and Judaism Study Guide**

1. Study your vocabulary and map.
2. Where does the name Mesopotamia come from?
3. Describe the city-states of Sumer.
4. Describe the Sumerian religion.
5. What were some Sumerian inventions?
6. Why were priests important to the Ancient Sumerians?
7. Describe Sumerian writing.
8. What groups lived in Mesopotamia?
9. Was Mesopotamia peaceful? Why or why not?
10. What was Hammurabi’s Code? How did it use trial by ordeal?
11. How was Hammurabi’s Code progressive?
12. Who was Abraham and why was he important to Judaism?
13. How were the Israelites different from other people in the area?
14. How were the Israelites connected to Mesopotamia?
15. What was the Exodus and what Jewish holiday celebrates it?
16. What makes up the Jewish Bible and what is it called?
17. What happened when the Israelites rose up against people that ruled them?