

Outcome 4.3: explain how the Neolithic Revolution led to the rise of civilization.

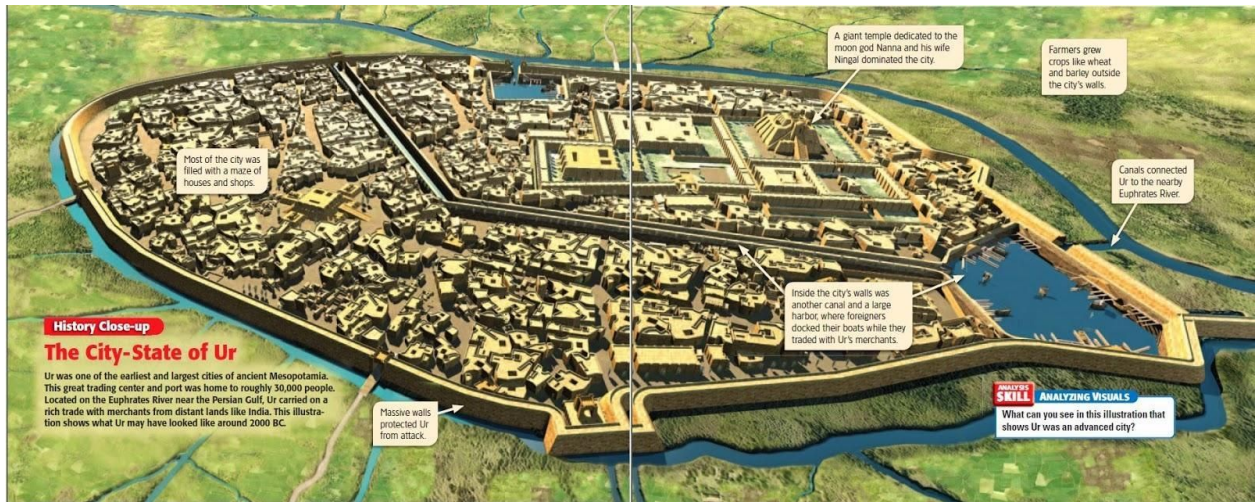
Read the text pp. 45-49 to learn about the Sumerian civilization.

1. **Knowledge:** Complete the table to learn terms associated with Sumerian civilization.

Term	Definition
artisan	
barter	
Bronze Age	
cuneiform	
scribes	
specialization	
ziggurat	

2. **Concepts:** Write a paragraph to explain why the city of Ur is considered an example of an early civilization. Use each of the above terms in your response.

3. **Perspective:** View the source below and identify the ziggurat. Why might the people of Ur have constructed this building? What does its size and purpose tell us about the people of the city?



4. **Comparison:** Look back at what we have learned so far in the unit. What aspects of civilization were present in each society shown below? Provide examples.

Paleolithic hunter-gatherers	Catal Huyuk

What specific characteristics set Sumerian life apart from these groups?

5. **Significance:** Which of the five characteristics of civilization do you think had the greatest influence on people’s lives in Sumer? Explain using evidence from this section to support your argument.