

## **Glossary**

**Civilizations:** Groups of people living in a certain area who have improved their way of life over time

**Fertile:** Able to grow plants because of nearby water supply

**River valleys:** Low lying areas of land that surround a river and are good for farming

**Waterways:** Routes along rivers, lakes, or oceans that are used to get from one place to another

**Trade routes:** Ways of getting from one place to another so the buying, selling, or trading of goods can take place