

Research Paper Topics  
6th Grade Social Studies/Composition

Ch. 5 Ancient India and Persia

1. Mohenjo-Daro

a. Topics to Include:

- i. Location
- ii. Description
- iii. What do we know about its past?
- iv. What still remains a mystery?
- v. Why was it a special place?
- vi. Facts about its people
- vii. Important innovations
- viii. Connect to today. Is there anything like it now?

2. Shi Huangdi, Changragupta Maurya, Ashoka

a. Choose two out of three

- i. Give a biography of each
- ii. Compare and contrast. How are they alike; How are they different?
- iii. Connect to today. Is there a similar world leader today?

3. The Caste System

- i. What is it?
- ii. Where is it used?
- iii. What is the purpose?
- iv. What are its parts?
- v. It is still in existence today. How is it different now that it was before?

A minimum of 5 sources must be used. Make sure you use a variety of sources including:

- At least one 1 encyclopedia
- At least one book
- At least 1 website
- Your Social Studies textbook

**Requirements:**

- 3-4 pages, typed
- Size 12 Times New Roman
- Double spaced
- Title page (does not count towards your 3-4 pages)
- Notes (rough facts) should be placed on index cards-information from the source on one side with the source citation on the opposite side.

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