Timeline Skills

Analyze the Unit 2 timeline in your book. Also think about what you have learned in this unit. Then answer the following questions.

1. Which of these events happened first: Abraham's migration to Canaan, Kushite pharaohs rule Egypt, or the reign of Hatshepsut?

2. Who was responsible for building the Great Pyramid of Egypt?

3. About how many years after the reign of Khufu did Ramses the Great rule Egypt?

4. For about how long did the African kingdom of Kush exist?

5. About when did Hatshepsut rule Egypt, and what was significant about her reign as pharaoh?

6. Did the Kushite pharaohs rule Egypt before or after Ramses the Great?

7. During whose reign was the First Temple of Jerusalem built?

8. How many years were the Jews held in captivity in Babylon?

9. When did Kush attack Roman forts? What happened as a result?

10. What is significant about the event that took place in 135 C.E.?

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Critical Thinking

Use the timeline and the chapters in the unit to answer the following questions.

11. Both Egypt and Kush flourished along the Nile River during this time period. What geographic conditions supported the rise of civilization in this region?

12. How did the relationship between Egypt and Kush change over time?

13. According to the timeline, Abraham moved to Canaan in 1950 B.C.E.
    a. Why is this event significant in the development of Judaism?

    b. What other important contribution did Abraham make?

14. If you could add three more events to this timeline, which ones would you choose? List each event and explain why you think it is important enough to add to the timeline.
    a.

    b.

    c.

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Ancient Egypt
About 3100 B.C.E.–350 C.E.

Ancient Egyptian civilization flourishes along the Nile River.

Reign of Khufu
About 2551–2528 B.C.E.

Khufu builds the Great Pyramid and establishes the pharaoh as the central authority in Egypt.

Ancient Kush
About 2000 B.C.E.–350 C.E.

The African kingdom of Kush thrives along the southern Nile River.

Migration to Canaan
About 1950 B.C.E.

According to the Torah, Abraham, ancestor of the Israelites, moves his family from Ur in Mesopotamia to Canaan, where they become herders.

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Reign of Hatshepsut
1473–1458 B.C.E.

During the reign of Hatshepsut, Egypt's first female pharaoh, art and architecture flourish, and trade is expanded.

Reign of Ramses the Great
About 1290–1224 B.C.E.

Ramses the Great, Egypt's second longest ruling pharaoh, builds numerous monuments and temples.

Kingdom of Israel Established
About 1000 B.C.E.

David becomes king of Israel, uniting the Israelites and choosing Jerusalem as his capital.

First Temple Built
About 965 B.C.E.

King Solomon builds the First Temple of Jerusalem.

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Rule of Kushite Pharaohs
About 730–655 B.C.E.

Kushite pharaohs rule a united Egypt and Kush after the surrender of northern Egypt to Kush.

Babylonian Exile
586–539 B.C.E.

The Babylonians destroy Jerusalem and take many Jews into captivity. The Persians conquer the Babylonians and release the Jews, many to return home.

Kush Attack on Roman Forts
24 B.C.E.

Kandake Amanirenas and her son defend Kush by leading an attack that destroys several Roman forts on Kush's borders.

Final Jewish Diaspora Begins
135 C.E.

The final Jewish Diaspora begins with the Roman army's defeat of another Jewish revolt.

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