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**Ancient India**

**Reference:** (Newman & DeGeer, 1992), *Odyssey Through The Ages*, p. 103-126

**Questions**

1. What does Megasthenes’ description of Chandragupta Maurya and the Emperor’s palace suggest about Indian civilization under the Mauryans?

2. What contributions to the governing of India did the Arthashastra make? Were the suggestions made to the kings and princes valid?

3. To what degree was the reign of Ashoka an example of Buddhism put into proactice?

Define –

Sanskrit

*Ramayana*

*Mahabharta*

4. Why is the Gupta Empire called the Golden Age of India. Explain with examples.

Karma

5. What features distinguish the Hindu faith from others? Why is it important to those of the Hindu faith to live a morally sound life?

6. Describe the education of boys and girls in the Gupta age.

7. Why is Harsha considered an archetypical king of ancient India?

8. What contribution to Indian culture did the Muslims make?

Taj Mahal

Bhakti

9. What examples of cross-cultural influences are evident in the development of Indian civilization??

10. Using the feature study on Indian food, as well as your own research, identify an Indian meal and explain some of the ritual(s) that follow in the serving of such food.