Year 3 History The Indus Valley Medium Term Plan

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National Curriculum	Knowledge
Children should be taught about the achievements of the earliest civilizations – an overview of where and when the first civilizations appeared and a depth study of one of the following: Ancient Sumer; The Indus Valley; Ancient Egypt; The Shang Dynasty of Ancient China	Indus Valley Civilisation Sites and artefacts in the Indus Valley (including the dancing girl, the priest king, seals, the threshing platforms, pots and potsherds, beads, weights, toys) Bricks, buildings, baths, bathrooms, drainage Mohenjo Daro, Harappa, Lothal Similarities and differences between Indus Valley and Sumer and Egypt (e.g. writing, monuments) Craftsmanship, trade, barter Puzzles for historians, including rulers and religion
	Disciplinary focus: evidential thinking
	How do we know about the Indus Valley civilisation?
Lesson Focus	Vocabulary
1. The dancing girl!	Necklace, bangles, Mohenjo-Daro, merchants, market, Indus Valley civilisation, reconstruction, reconstructed, Harappa, monuments, seals
2. So many puzzles	Sources, evidence, trench, pottery, potsherds, threshed, threshing, barley, beckon
3. Bricks, buildings and baths	Urban, citadel, fired, kiln, technology, sewage, Lothal, drain, wells, draw, water
4. Making beautiful things	Jewellery, oxen, rhinoceroses, unicorns, terracotta, ornaments, carnelian
5. Boats and barter, trade and travel	Barter, weights, transport, prow, trade, route
6. Two more puzzles: rulers and religion	Governed, governments, robe, figurines, fertility, Asia, Asian, Hindu, granary
Synoptic task	source, evidence
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