

CIVILIZATIONS OF THE  
**ANCIENT WORLD**

Meeting 4 **Sumer and Gilgamesh**

- Sumer
- Gilgamesh

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**Sumer**

*The people of Sumer are unrelated to any other ancient people we know of*

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Map of Mesopotamia showing the Euphrates River, Tigris River, and surrounding regions including Assyria, Akkad, Sumer, Elam, and Media. The Sumer region is highlighted in green.

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Rivalry for resources → warfare

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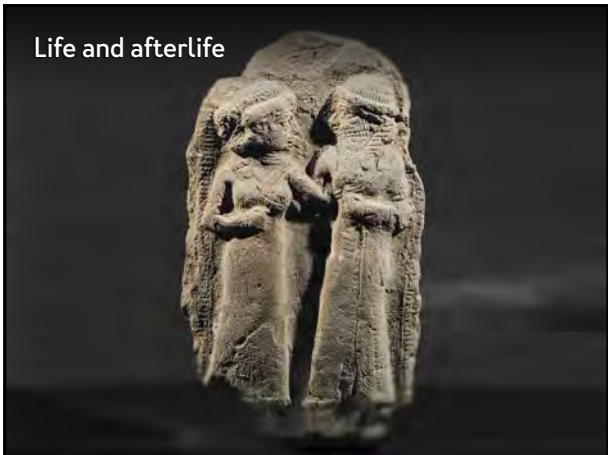
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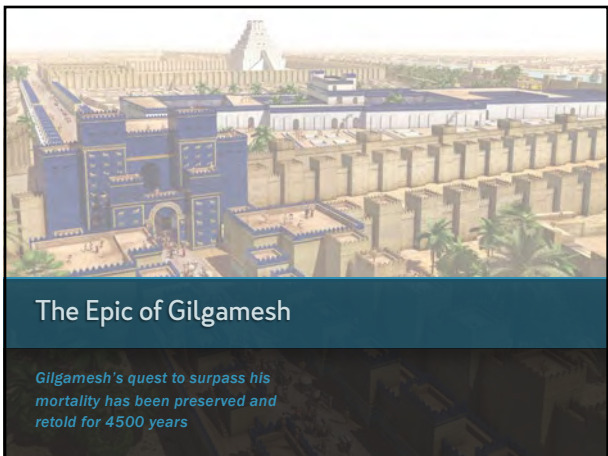
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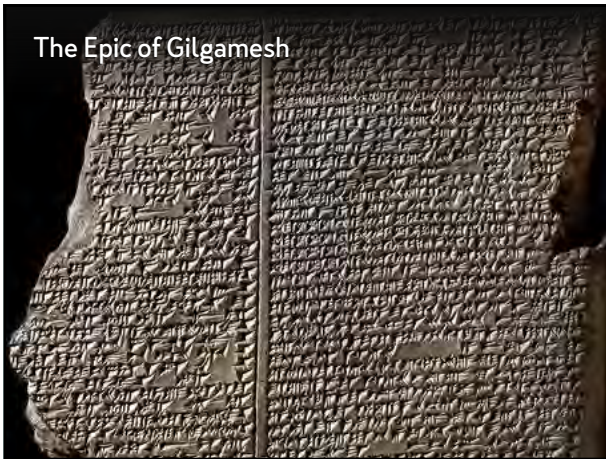
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The Epic of Gilgamesh

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Ways of looking at the Epic

- Gilgamesh as a priest-king
- Gilgamesh as a mortal
- Gilgamesh as a man

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### Characters

Gilgámesh	king of Úruk
Nínsun	his divine mother
Enkídu	his friend
Shámhat	a prostitute in Úruk
Shámash	sun-god
Humbába	forest guardian
Íshtar	great goddess
Úta-napíshti	survivor of the Flood

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### King Gilgamesh



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### Enkidu



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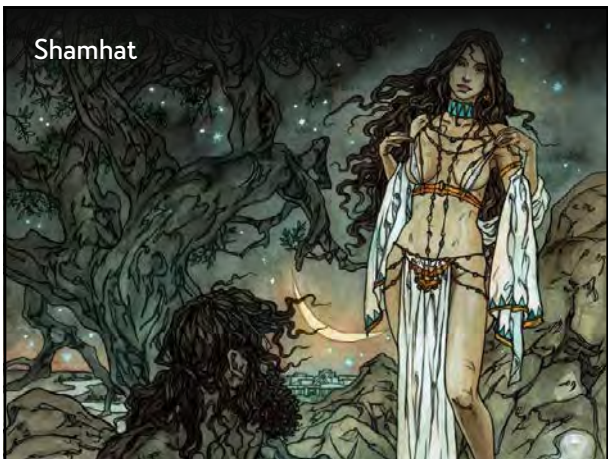
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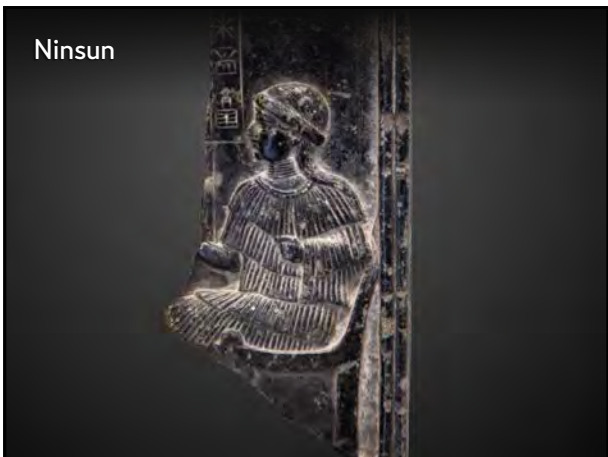
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