

Dump and Clump--Indus Valley

- Cut vocabulary cards into individual pieces
- At your table group, DISCUSS the relationships between words
- Group words into 4-5 different categories based on similar factors or characteristics
- You should title each category **creatively**
 - This does not work if categories are basic like “people” or “places”
 - Have deep dialogue about the words to really consider how the words overlap and relate
 - Example: enlighten, gurus, and karma could be in a category called *beliefs/practices of religion* as all of these things are related to the belief systems of the Indus Valley people

<p style="text-align: center;">monsoons</p> <p>Strong winds that change direction with the season; affects which crops grow and when crops grow</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">caste</p> <p>A fixed social class into which a person is born</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">karma</p> <p>The effect of a person’s actions in this and in previous lives</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Hinduism</p> <p>The main religion of India for the past 2000 years; one of the oldest religions in the world; polytheistic</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Buddhism</p> <p>A world religion that began on the Indian subcontinent; spread to many faraway lands</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Sanskrit</p> <p>The 1st language of Ancient India; allowed them keep records</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">subcontinent</p> <p>A large landmass that is set apart from the rest of the continent</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">enlightenment</p> <p>A state of perfect wisdom</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Vedas</p> <p>A collection of sacred hymns (religious songs) and other ancient texts; composed by the Aryans; written between 1500BC and 1000BC</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">migrate</p> <p>To move from one region to another in order to live there</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">caste system</p> <p>The social hierarchy of India created by the Aryans that divided Indian society into groups based on a person’s birth, wealth, or occupation</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Brahmanism</p> <p>A religion based on priests and rituals, particularly sacrifices to the gods; the religion of the Vedic Age</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">gurus</p> <p>Teachers and thinkers who left their homes to live in the forest, to think, and to talk about religious ideas</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Aryans</p> <p>A nomadic group invaded India and took control; they introduced a new religion and a new social structure; Aryans means “the noble ones”</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">widespread</p> <p>Common; spread across a large area</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Siddhartha Gautama</p> <p>An Hindu prince who was an Indian spiritual leader; became known as Buddha; founded Buddhism</p>

