

Mesopotamia CBRT Script
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1	Welcome time travelers.		developed many tools to help
2	Please find your seats and fasten your seat belts.		their civilization?
All	[Gesture] [Sound Effect]	All	Wow! [gesture] How
3	Set your dials to 3000 BC.		interesting! Tell us more!
All	[Sound Effect] 3000 BC!	5-6	What types of tools did they
4	First stop, Mesopotamia!		develop?
All	Ooooh, Mesopotamia!	1-2	They invented the wheel, the
5	Meso who?		plow and the irrigation system
6	Its not a who—it's a where!	3-4	They invented the 60 minute
All	Meso means "middle"		hour and the 12 month calendar
	[Gesture] Potamos means	8	And don't forget that they
	"river" [Gesture] Mesopotamia		developed a sewage system.
	is	All	[sound effect] [gesture]
	The land between two rivers	7	Hey how did they keep track of
	[Gesture]		all this stuff?
5	OH! I get it now! What two	3	Well they also invented a
	ivers?		system of writing.
All	The Tigris [Sound Effect]	5	Where can I get one of their
	[Gesture] And the Euphrates		books?
	[Gesture]	9	They didn't write in books.
2	If you look to your left, you		They wrote on clay tablets
	will see the first civilization.		using cuneiform.
All	[Gesture] Aaahhhh!	2	You couldn't buy one anyhow,
6	What's that building over there		because this civilization traded
	that looks like a wedding cake?		for the goods and services they
All	That is a Ziggurat, duh!		needed.
7	A Ziggurat is a place of	1	Hey travelers, we need to get
	worship. It was thought of as a		on our way...
	stairway to heaven.	3	Because Persian Empire will
8	Did you know that the people		soon be starting a war in this
	of Mesopotamia were		area.
	polytheistic?	1-4	If you enjoyed this trip, be sure
6	Poly want a what?		to sign up for our next tour to
All	No—polytheistic—you		2600 BC.
	know—worshipping many gods.	All	Ancient Egypt!
6	Ohhh, now I get it.	5-9	Oooooooh, The pyramids...
4	Time travelers, did you know	All	[sound effect][Gesture]
	that the people of Mesopotamia	5	What's a pyramid?
		All	[sound effect] [Gesture]