The discovery of iron and its incredible uses helps mankind create new ways of life. Armed with metal tools, humans construct new societies and amazing vessels. Early forms of government, including democracy in Athens, help guide us. Humans develop monotheistic religions including Judaism, Christianity and Islam. People power shapes the world, as warfare continues to divide us.

Keys Include: Alphabet, Iron, Democracy, Monotheism, Ship building

Terms: city-state, democracy, progress, magnetic field, nomadic, self-determination, tyranny,

Essay Option #1
Think about one of the ancient civilizations in the video. What was life like? How was it similar to life today? How was it different? Write an essay (at least a half a page typed) in which you describe the civilization you chose and compare it to life today.

Essay Option #2
Write an essay (at least a half a page typed) in which you describe, in detail, how one of the following impacted the development of the ancient world and/or how it impacts us today.

   Alphabet
   Iron
   Democracy
   Monotheism
   Ship building