

Chapter 4 Test, Document-Based Questions

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DIRECTIONS: Multiple Choice Indicate the answer choice that best completes the statement or answers the question.

Part of an ancient writing system, cuneiform numbers were written using a combination of two signs: a vertical wedge for '1' and a corner wedge for '10'.

1	∟	2	∟∟	3	∟∟∟	4	∟∟∟∟
5	∟∟∟∟∟	6	∟∟∟∟∟∟	7	∟∟∟∟∟∟∟	8	∟∟∟∟∟∟∟∟
9	∟∟∟∟∟∟∟∟	10	◁	11	◁∟	12	◁∟∟
13	◁∟∟∟	14	◁∟∟∟∟	15	◁∟∟∟∟∟	16	◁∟∟∟∟∟∟
17	◁∟∟∟∟∟	18	◁∟∟∟∟∟∟	19	◁∟∟∟∟∟∟∟	20	◁◁

Key: 1 = ∟ 10 = ◁

_____ 1. Based on the pattern in the chart, what would the number 30 look like?

- A. ◁◁
B. ◁∟∟∟

- C. ∟∟∟
D. ◁◁◁

DIRECTIONS: Short Answer Answer each of the following questions.

2. Based on the chart, in what way is cuneiform's number system similar to the system we use today?

3. According to the patterns in the chart, how do the cuneiform symbols change as the numbers increase from 1 to 10?

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"I brought about the defeat of his armies, his warriors I overthrew. In the midst of [during] that battle my hand captured Kashtiliash, the Kassite king."

... Sumer and Akkad to its farthest border I brought under my sway [control]. On the lower sea of the rising sun I established the frontier [border] of my land."

—Tukulti-Ninurta I, Assyrian king, as quoted in *Cultural Atlas of Mesopotamia and the Ancient Near East*

4. According to this passage, who was Kashtiliash?

5. According to this passage, which lands did Tukulti-Ninurta bring under his power in this battle?
