## Scaffolding Big Ideas in Global History and Geography

## Ancient Cities

6. Some consequences of the big idea

Empires started at specific latitudes.

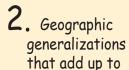
Trade routes connected specific parts of the world. Topic

Other notes

The Big Idea What, where, when, and so what?

The geographic pattern of cities reveals a lot about the people who built them. (e.g., They wanted to live in a mild climate.)





the big idea

The ancient cities "fill" a tiny fraction of the earth surface. The ancient cities have a spatial pattern -



The ancient cities are between the cold and very hot areas.

Upon closer examination, the cities are all associated with rivers or seacoasts.

5. Mode of spatial thinking



Pattern



Transition



Different modes of spatial

reasoning

3. Thematic map that supports the generaliation

Symbols show locations of cities at a given time. Latitude lines help us describe the pattern.

a fairly thin line.



with low or high average temperatures.

Colors show areas



4. Map skills needed to read the map

Draw a line around a region of cities.

Identify the orientation of a line pattern.

Making/interpreting a shaded-area map