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Life in the Indus Valley

Read the text carefully and then answer the following questions in as much detail as you can.

1. Where was the Indus Valley civilisation?
2. When did the Indus Valley civilisation begin?
3. Who first lived in the Indus Valley civilisation?
4. By what date had all the major cities been abandoned?
5. What did Charles Masson discover in 1826?
6. Give five reasons why water was important to the people of the Indus Valley civilisation.
7. What types of buildings were found in the cities?
8. What were the buildings made from?
9. What features did the houses have that show the Indus Valley was a hot place to live? Draw a picture of what you think a typical house may have looked like and label the features.
10. Would you have liked to have lived in the Indus Valley civilisation? Explain why.

Challenge:

Can you design and draw your own Indus Valley civilisation city?

What would you call it?

What features would it have?

