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2. Today this land is in _____.

3. Their writing was called _____.

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☐ **3.** the plough

☐ **4.** clay tablets

☐ **5.** ziggurat

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Draw a ziggurat.

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