

ANCIENT NEAR EAST



Prehistoric Cave Art

Ancient Near East Timeline

- ~ 8000 BCE beginning of agriculture
- 7000-5000 duration of Catal Huyuk
- ~ 4000 rise of Mesopotamian cities
- ~ 3000 Sumerians become numerous
- 1792 Hammurabi rules ANE

Pre-History

- Why is it called “pre-history”?
 - Before writing
- How did they live?
 - Hunter/gatherer
 - mobile - no cities.