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Period _____

LEQ #1: Comparison ~ Classical Civilizations

Suggested writing time: 40 minutes

Write an essay that:

- Has a relevant claim and supports that argument with appropriate historical evidence.
- Addresses all parts of the question.
- Makes direct, relevant comparisons that account for both similarities and differences.
- Analyzes relevant reasons for and/or the effects of the similarities and differences.

Compare and contrast the various methods of control and organization used by people in the Classical Period (600 B.C.E. to 600 C.E.) to gain power, maintain order, and provide structure for their civilization.

Be sure to compare at least two regions from the list below and emphasize the themes of state building, religious and cultural traditions, and social hierarchy.

- **East Asia: China**
- **South Asia: India**
- **Mediterranean Region: Persia, Greece, and/or Rome**