

## ANCIENT MESOPOTAMIA THE ZIGGURAT WEBQUEST



Reconstruction of the Ziggurat at Ur

At the center of each major city in Mesopotamia was a large structure called a ziggurat. The ziggurat was built to honor the main god of the city. The tradition of building a ziggurat was started by the Sumerians, but other civilizations of Mesopotamia such as the Akkadians, the Babylonians, and the Assyrians also built ziggurats.

Use the web address below to learn more about these ancient structures.

<http://www.ducksters.com/history/mesopotamia/ziggurats.php>

1. Using several sentences, describe a ziggurat.
2. Why were ziggurats built?
3. Name three cities in Mesopotamia and their primary gods.