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2015 - 12 - 14

this book explores some of the most prominent literary responses to the collective trauma of a fallen city

The Fall of Cities in the Mediterranean

2016-02-15

the most impressive legacy of the dynasty of akkade ca 2310 2160 b c e was the widespread popular legends of its kings dr westenholz offers an annotated edition of all the known legends of the akkadian kings with transliteration translation and commentary of particular interest to biblical scholars is the inclusion of the birth legend of sargon which is often compared to moses in exodus

Legends of the Kings of Akkade

1997-01-01

in this lively survey guy d middleton critically examines our ideas about collapse how we explain it and how we have constructed potentially misleading myths around collapses showing how and why collapse of societies was a much more complex phenomenon than is often admitted

Understanding Collapse

2017-06-26

sargon of agade or akkad is a name associated primarily with later mesopotamian tradition and modern writers view his reign as one of the most crucial periods in the ancient history of his country as nabonidus mentions the age of naram sin in his text the dynasty of akkad has become the canon to measure the relative ages of other dynasties of rulers whose inscriptions have been found on various mesopotamian sites in the past despite those historians who have refused to place reliance upon the figures of nabonidus sargon s position in history has not been diminished by their refusal and since tradition associates his name with the establishment of his empire the terms pre sargonic and post sargonic have been used to describe the earlier and later phases in the history of sumer and akkad the discovery of early inscriptions and tablets attributed to shar gani sharri of akkad removed any tendency to discount the historical value of the later traditions and identify shar gani sharri with sargon of the assyrian and neo mesopotamian scribes ceased to be questioned sargon of agade s historical character is a point in early mesopotamian history that can be considered solidly established a recent discovery at susa has added another dimension to the discussion and opened it up along unfamiliar lines to explain and reconcile the new data with the old it will be helpful to briefly mention the steps by which sargon s name was recovered and his place in history determined

The Dynasty of Agade and the Gutian Invasion

2020-03-31

covers the major languages language families and writing systems attested in the ancient near east filled with enlightening chapters by noted experts in the field this book introduces ancient near eastern ane languages and language families used during the time period of roughly 3200 bce to the second century ce in the areas of egypt the levant eastern anatolia mesopotamia and iran in addition to providing grammatical sketches of the respective languages the book focuses on socio linguistic questions such as language contact diglossia the development of literary standard languages and the development of diplomatic languages or linguae francae it also

addresses the interaction of ancient near eastern languages with each other and their roles within the political and cultural systems of ane societies presented in five parts the companion to ancient near eastern languages provides readers with in depth chapter coverage of the writing systems of ane starting with their decipherment it looks at the emergence of cuneiform writing the development of egyptian writing in the fourth and early third millennium bci and the emergence of alphabetic scripts the book also covers many of the individual languages themselves including sumerian egyptian akkadian hittite pre and post exilic hebrew phoenician ancient south arabian and more provides an overview of all major language families and writing systems used in the ancient near east during the time period from the beginning of writing approximately 3200 bce to the second century ce end of cuneiform writing addresses how the individual languages interacted with each other and how they functioned in the societies that used them written by leading experts on the languages and topics the companion to ancient near eastern languages is an ideal book for undergraduate students and scholars interested in ancient near eastern cultures and languages or certain aspects of these languages

The Descent of the Sumerian Civilization and the Rise of the Akkadian Empire

2010-09-17

the sumerians the pragmatic and gifted people who preceded the semites in the land first known as sumer and later as babylonia created what was probably the first high civilization in the history of man spanning the fifth to the second millenniums b c this book is an unparalleled compendium of what is known about them professor kramer communicates his enthusiasm for his subject as he outlines the history of the sumerian civilization and describes their cities religion literature education scientific achievements social structure and psychology finally he considers the legacy of sumer to the ancient and modern world there are few scholars in the world qualified to write such a book and certainly kramer is one of them one of the most valuable features of this book is the quantity of texts and fragments which are published for the first time in a form available to the general reader for the layman the book provides a readable and up to date introduction to a most fascinating culture for the specialist it presents a synthesis with which he may not agree but from which he will nonetheless derive stimulation american journal of archaeology an

uncontested authority on the civilization of sumer professor kramer writes with grace and urbanity library journal

A Companion to Ancient Near Eastern Languages

2013-10

revision of the first volume of the author s thesis ph d university of oxford 2009 under the title the emergence and development of sumerian and babylonian traditions related to the primeval flood catastrophe from the old babylonian period

The Sumerians

2018

this anthology translates and discusses texts authored by women of ancient mesopotamia

The Primeval Flood Catastrophe

2016-03-10

this book takes a bold new approach to the prehistory of homeric epic arguing for a fresh understanding of how near eastern influence worked

Women's Writing of Ancient Mesopotamia

2004

sumerian is the oldest written language of ancient iraq first written down some 5 000 years ago its literature encompassing narrative myths lyrical hymns proverbs and love poetry provides a stimulating insight into the world s first urban civilization this is a comprehensive collection

From Hittite to Homer

2020-02-19

the new edition of the popular survey of near eastern civilization from the bronze age to the era of alexander the great a companion to the ancient near east explores the history of the region from 4400 bce to the macedonian conquest of the persian empire in 330 bce original and revised essays from a team of distinguished scholars from across disciplines address subjects including the politics economics architecture and heritage of ancient mesopotamia and egypt part of the blackwell companions to the ancient world series this acclaimed single volume reference combines lively writing with engaging and relatable topics to immerse readers in this fascinating period of near east history the new second edition has been thoroughly revised and updated to include new developments in relevant fields particularly archaeology and expand on themes of interest to contemporary students clear accessible chapters offer fresh discussions on the history of the family and gender roles the literature languages and religions of the region pastoralism medicine and philosophy and borders states and warfare new essays highlight recent discoveries in cuneiform texts investigate how modern egyptians came to understand their ancient history and examine the place of archaeology among the historical disciplines this volume provides substantial new and revised content covering topics such as social conflict kingship cosmology work trade and law covers the civilizations of the sumerians hittites babylonians assyrians egyptians israelites and persians emphasizing social and cultural history examines the legacy of the ancient near east in the medieval and modern worlds offers a uniquely broad geographical chronological and topical range includes a comprehensive bibliographical guide to ancient near east studies as well as new and updated references and reading suggestions suitable for use as both a primary reference or as a supplement to a chronologically arranged textbook a companion to the ancient near east 2nd edition is a valuable resource for advanced undergraduates beginning graduate students instructors in the field and scholars from other disciplines

The Literature of Ancient Sumer

2018-05-03

studies of seals and sealing practices have traditionally investigated aspects of social political economic and ideological systems in ancient societies throughout the old world previously scholarship has focused on description and documentation chronology and dynastic histories administrative function iconography and style more recent studies have emphasized context production and use and increasingly identity gender and the social lives of seals their users and the artisans who produced them using several methodological and theoretical perspectives this volume presents up to date research on seals that is comparative in scope and focus the cross cultural and interdisciplinary approach advances our understanding of the significance of an important class of material culture of the ancient world the volume will serve as an essential resource for scholars students and others interested in glyptic studies seal production and use and sealing practices in the ancient near east egypt ancient south asia and the aegean during the 4th 2nd millennia bce

A Companion to the Ancient Near East

2000

babylon stands with athens and rome as a cultural ancestor of western civilization it was founded by the people of ancient mesopotamia who settled in the fertile crescent between the tigris and the euphrates rivers before the fourth millennium b c some of the earliest experiments in agriculture and irrigation the invention of writing the birth of mathematics and the development of urban life all began there biblical associations are also numerous from nineveh to the tower of babel and the flood in babylonians h w f saggs describes the ebb and flow in the successive fortunes of the sumerians akkadians amorites and babylonians who flourished in this region using evidence from pottery cuneiform tablets cylinder seals early architecture and metallurgy he illuminates the myths religion languages trade politics and warfare as well as the legacy of the babylonians and their predecessors during the twentieth century collaboration by archaeologists from many nations has greatly increased the range of archaeological evidence while work by linguists has gradually unlocked the secrets of the thousands of clay tablets recovered from the area today the historical record for some periods of ancient mesopotamia is substantially better than for some centuries of europe in the christian era gaps and uncertainties remain but babylonians conveys a rich and fascinating picture of the development of this remarkable

civilization from before the beginning of the third millennium b c

Seals and Sealing in the Ancient World

2020-02-25

empires rose and fell along the banks of the tigris euphrates whilst a civilization as yet unsurpassed emerged discover myths history more from the world s most ancient civilization mesopotamia the land between two rivers was an ancient region located in modern day irag and parts of iran syria and turkey from the founding of eridu in the sixth millennium bce to the fall of babylon in the first the history of mesopotamia spans almost 5 000 years it was not only the earliest but also the greatest civilization in human history sumerians assyrians akkadians and babylonians were just some of the associated cultures for a long time the only way to understand their history has been through dense academic sources this is in part due to the huge time frame and the lack of easily understood ancient sources such inaccessibility of information means that few know little about it as such it is essential to bring their knowledge and history into the light allowing everyone to benefit from the fascinating insights of the very first human civilization inside this book you will discover introduction to the sumerians assyrians persians babylonians epics mythological stories including the famous epic of gilgamesh the babylonian creation myth the enuma elish many more sargon of akkad saddam hussein celebrated this great akkadian emperor with lavish festivities how mesopotamia laid foundations for human civilization technology laws education languages more learn about civilizations such as the land of ur home to biblical characters old babylon fascinating insights from one of the most famous ancient cities why the introduction of a syllabic writing system was one of the largest contributors to the fall of mesopotamia and much much more whether you re an ancient history enthusiast or just a reader looking to add to their knowledge inside you will discover a wealth of cultural history mythology and more from in this book

Babylonians

2008-05-01

in this volume william I moran has collected seventeen of jacobsen s widely scattered essays dealing with religion history culture government economics and grammar these pieces are representative of all aspects of jacobsen s work but stress his studies in history and religion the fields in which he made his most important contributions to our knowledge of mesopotamian culture and the origins of western civilization moran has also included a bibliography of and a lexical index to jacobsen s writings

Mythology of Mesopotamia: Fascinating Insights, Myths, Stories & History From The World's Most Ancient Civilization. Sumerian, Akkadian, Babylonian, Persian, Assyrian and More

2020-06-07

a mysterious group of people came to settle in southern mesopotamia sometime around 5400bc what is now the modern state of iraq the first city of mesopotamia was founded named eridu although historians have generally regarded this as the world's first city we have seen this challenged on numerous occasions by recent discoveries too numerous to mention here eridu had all the things we ordinarily associate with an ancient city temples administrative buildings housing agriculture markets art and of course walls to keep out unsavoury characters the elusive aspect is we have absolutely no idea where they acquired their language and bizarre language it is we have no idea what they originally looked like their language which we call sumerian and the subsequent akkadian derivative were linguistic isolates sumerian is the oldest known written language on earth and any languages it might have derived from or developed alongside have been lost to time figuring out what their baffling ethnic identity based on their art is a doomed effort because their art was so stylized that a good case could be made that it portrays people of any ethnicity or the people they encountered the sumerian language was not semitic and the akkadian conquests of 2334 bce disrupted the ethnic and cultural isolation of the sumerian people by about 2000 bce the sumerians were speaking akkadian and the sumerian and akkadian civilizations were regarded as a single enterprise does this mean that we ll never know how the sumerian language developed or where the sumerians originally came from well if any reasonably well preserved sumerian bones can be found dna testing could tell us their ethnic origin although this all sounds murky we have

literature left in the form if cuneiform writing that speaks volumes on their day to day life and their highly unusual gods the sumerian pantheon reads like wild science fiction at times and although they often speak of their own origins in terms of their gods and family ties many have chosen to label this as mythology ignore it or merely treat it in a literature aspect

Toward an Image of Tammuz

1963

the sumerians the pragmatic and gifted people who preceded the semites in the land first known as sumer and later as babylonia created what was probably the first high civilization in the history of man spanning the fifth to the second millenniums b c this book is a compendium of what is known about them the author outlines the history of the sumerian civilization and describes their cities religion literature education scientific achievements social structure and psychology finally he considers the legacy of sumer to the ancient and modern world

Toward the Image of Tammuz and Other Essays on Mesopotamian History and Culture

2024-09-14

viking magic the second installment in the forbidden knowledge series embarks on a captivating journey into the mystical realms of old norse magic this non fiction book meticulously examines and interprets stories and poems of icelandic sagas to bring forward the secrets of the magic wielded by the norse people the exploration begins with an immersive look into the magical worldview of the vikings unraveling concepts like hugr the unity of mind or the protective force of hamingja as the narrative unfolds readers are guided through captivating stories displaying the depth of viking magical traditions venturing into the supernatural the book brings to life the mysteries of revenants and the enigmatic realm of hel the land of the dead trolls both legendary and contemporary are studied exploring their role in norse mythology and their presence in today s digital landscape the heart of the book delves into the intricacies of viking magic dissecting practices like divination and clairvoyance the power of words and the fascinating art

of illusion the encyclopedic content of the appendices includes topics ranging from deviant burials to the oseberg ship from ancient curses to the shamanic drum presenting a supplement to the various facets of the subject with over 50 illustrations this book provides a unique and insightful analysis of viking magic the meticulous translation of every detail from original manuscripts along with hyperlinks to relevant sources ensures that readers gain an authentic understanding of the magical legacy left behind by the norse people

Sumerian Origins

2012 - 10 - 01

the cultures of the great empires of the ancient near east from egypt to mesopotamia influenced israel s religion literature and laws because of israel s geographic location and political position situation anyone who wishes to understand the old testament texts and the history of ancient israel must become familiar with the history literature and society of the surrounding kingdoms that at times controlled the region brief in presentation yet broad in scope ancient near east will introduce students to the information and ideas essential to understanding the texts of the old testament while clarifying difficult issues concerning the relationship between israel and its neighbors abingdon essential guides fulfill the need for brief substantive yet highly accessible introductions to the core disciplines in biblical theological and religious studies

The Sumerians

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Viking Magic

2017-07-05

the roots of our modern world lie in the civilization of mesopotamia which saw the development of the first urban society and the invention of writing the cuneiform texts reveal the technological and social innovations of sumer and babylonia as surprisingly modern and the influence of this fascinating culture was felt throughout the near east early mesopotamia gives an entirely new account integrating the archaeology with historical data which until now have been largely scattered in specialist literature

The Ancient Near East

2018-09-08

provides a broad view of the history and current state of scholarship on the art of the ancient near east this book covers the aesthetic traditions of mesopotamia iran anatolia and the levant from neolithic times to the end of the achaemenid persian empire around 330 bce it describes and examines the field from a variety of critical perspectives across approaches and interpretive frameworks key explanatory concepts materials and selected media and formats and zones of interaction this important work also addresses both traditional and emerging categories of material intellectual perspectives and research priorities the book covers geography and chronology context and setting medium and scale while acknowledging the diversity of regional and cultural traditions and the uneven survival of evidence part one of the book considers the methodologies and approaches that the field has drawn on and refined part two addresses terms and concepts critical to understanding the subjects and formal characteristics of the near eastern material record including the intellectual frameworks within which monuments have been approached and interpreted part three surveys the field s most distinctive and characteristic genres with special reference to mesopotamian art and architecture part four considers involvement with artistic traditions across a broader reach examining connections with egypt the aegean and the mediterranean and finally part five addresses intersections with the closely allied discipline of archaeology and the institutional stewardship of cultural heritage in the modern middle east told from multiple perspectives a companion to ancient near eastern art is an enlightening must have book for advanced undergraduate and graduate students of ancient near east art and near east history as well as those interested in history and art history

The Collapse of Ancient States and Civilizations

2018-11-27

akkadian empire the akkadian empire was one of the first empires in human history and certainly the first to involve the central government of a large multi ethnic populace it also introduced things like the very first postal system and facilitated advances in science art and medicine the heart of the empire the city of akkad became the most important trading center in the ancient world and one of the largest cities in the world then in a relatively short time the empire disintegrated and the city itself was abandoned now we don't even know where the city of akkad was located how is this possible how could an empire which controlled most of the civilized world suddenly fall apart successors of the akkadians thought that they had the answer many texts from the babylonians and others talk of the curse of akkad a curse placed on the empire after its king offended the gods which led to its destruction for thousands of years historians assumed that the story of the curse was nothing more than a quaint legend however modern research shows that the akkadian empire was most likely destroyed by a cataclysmic change as a result of sudden and unprecedented climate change inside you will read about origins the black heads and king sargon palace conspiracies and assassinations naram sin and the curse of akkad the 4 2 kiloyear event the fall of the akkadian empire the search for akkad and much more in little more than two hundred years the akkadian empire rose from nothing to become the most important and powerful empire in the world and then went back to obscurity this is the story of the rise and sudden fall of the akkadian empire

Early Mesopotamia

2011

two classic illustrated anthologies now combined in one convenient volume james pritchard s

classic anthologies of the ancient near east have introduced generations of readers to texts essential for understanding the peoples and cultures of this important region now these two enduring works have been combined and integrated into one convenient and richly illustrated volume with a new foreword that puts the translations in context with more than 130 reading selections and 300 photographs of ancient art architecture and artifacts this volume provides a stimulating introduction to some of the most significant and widely studied texts of the ancient near east including the epic of gilgamesh the creation epic enuma elish the code of hammurabi and the baal cycle for students of history religion the bible archaeology and anthropology this anthology provides a wealth of material for understanding the ancient near east represents the diverse cultures and languages of the ancient near east sumerian akkadian egyptian hittite ugaritic canaanite and aramaic in a wide range of genres historical texts legal texts and treaties inscriptions hymns didactic and wisdom literature oracles and prophecies love poetry and other literary texts letters new foreword puts the classic translations in context more than 300 photographs document ancient art architecture and artifacts related to the texts fully indexed

A Companion to Ancient Near Eastern Art

2021-09-23

the first volume in g r burns epic saga the bloodline of kings bahira and her beloved younger brother have been captured by the murdering urudu she doesn t know why she doesn t know where they are headed she feels a breath away from losing everything she holds dear and she s right can areoch the son of an ancient sumerian king find his love bahira in time to save her in a world where faint echoes of oral tradition are all that remain to bridge the gap between folklore and ancient power areoch and bahira must both come to terms with what is myth and what is truth just as we must do now lexile reading level 610l gle 4 7

Akkadian Empire

2018-02-05

provides a new narrative history of the ancient world from the beginnings of civilization in the

ancient near east and egypt to the fall of constantinople written by an expert in the field this book presents a narrative history of babylon from the time of its first dynasty 1880 1595 until the last centuries of the city s existence during the hellenistic and parthian periods ca 331 75 ad unlike other texts on ancient near eastern and mesopotamian history it offers a unique focus on babylon and babylonia while still providing readers with an awareness of the interaction with other states and peoples organized chronologically it places the various socio economic and cultural developments and institutions in their historical context the book also gives religious and intellectual developments more respectable coverage than books that have come before it a history of babylon 2200 bc ad 75 teaches readers about the most important phase in the development of mesopotamian culture the book offers in depth chapter coverage on the sumero addadian background the rise of babylon the decline of the first dynasty kassite ascendancy the second dynasty of isin arameans and chaldeans the assyrian century the imperial heyday and babylon under foreign rule focuses on babylon and babylonia written by a highly regarded assyriologist part of the very successful histories of the ancient world series an excellent resource for students instructors and scholars a history of babylon 2200 bc ad 75 is a profound text that will be ideal for upper level undergraduate and graduate courses on ancient near eastern and mesopotamian history and scholars of the subject

The Ancient Near East

2014-06-23

earthquakes and coseismic surface faulting on the iranian plateau is a comprehensive and well illustrated multi disciplinary research work that analyzes the human and physical aspects of the active faults and large magnitude earthquakes since ancient times on the iranian plateau the long term historical archaeological and sociological record of earthquakes discussed here gives insight into earthquake magnitudes recurrences fault segmentation clustering and patterns of coseismic ruptures from prehistoric times to the present the first part of the book examines oral traditions and literature of the region concerned with earthquakes particularly in folklore epic literature and theology the second part assesses dynamic phenomena associated with earthquakes including active tectonics archaeoseismicity and coseismic surface faulting throughout the twentieth century this work is a valuable technical survey and an essential reference for

understanding seismic hazard analysis and earthquake risk minimization in earthquake prone developing and developed countries throughout the world provides a reference for seismic hazard evaluation and analysis covers data dealing with crustal deformations caused by earthquake faulting and folding since historic times presents unique and complete data for use in empirical relation analyses in all regions

Days of Our Past

2014-10-24

this book offers a detailed survey on major archaeological discoveries in the near and middle east this classic account focuses on the findings in three great centers of ancient civilization egypt sumer and the indus valley professor childe discusses the excavation of the three cities of mohenjo daro and chanhu daro on the indus and harappa on the ravi and what these sites have revealed about indian civilization in the third millennium b c he describes the findings at the numerous tells between mesopotamia and the indus basin and in the three provinces of the fertile crescent the succession of cultures in pre dynastic egypt and the rise of the pharaohs the findings at ur and kish and the development of an urban civilization in mesopotamia throughout the text the author sets forth the step by step gathering of precise archaeological evidence relating these findings both to the context of their particular culture and to the larger context of the origins of european history

A History of Babylon, 2200 BC - AD 75

2013-08-29

the sumerian world explores the archaeology history and art of southern mesopotamia and its relationships with its neighbours from c 3 000 2 000bc including material hitherto unpublished from recent excavations the articles are organised thematically using evidence from archaeology texts and the natural sciences this broad treatment will also make the volume of interest to students looking for comparative data in allied subjects such as ancient literature and early religions providing an authoritative comprehensive and up to date overview of the sumerian period

written by some of the best qualified scholars in the field the sumerian world will satisfy students researchers academics and the knowledgeable layperson wishing to understand the world of southern mesopotamia in the third millennium

Earthquakes and Coseismic Surface Faulting on the Iranian Plateau

2022-05-10

sacred kingship has been the core political form in small scale societies and in vast empires for much of world history this collaborative and interdisciplinary book recasts the relationship between religion and politics by exploring this institution in long term and global comparative perspective editors a azfar moin and alan strathern present a theoretical framework for understanding sacred kingship which leading scholars reflect on and respond to in a series of essays they distinguish between two separate but complementary religious tendencies immanentism and transcendentalism which mold kings into divinized or righteous rulers respectively whereas immanence demands priestly and cosmic rites from kings to sustain the flourishing of life transcendence turns the focus to salvation and subordinates rulers to higher ethical objectives secular modernity does not end the struggle between immanence and transcendence flourishing and righteousness but only displaces it from kings onto nations and individuals after an essay by marshall sahlins that ranges from the pacific to the arctic the book contains chapters on religion and kingship in settings as far flung as ancient egypt classical greece medieval islam mughal india modern european drama and isis sacred kingship in world history sheds new light on how religion has constructed rulership with implications spanning global history religious studies political theory and anthropology

New Light on the Most Ancient East

2020 - 11 - 10

the first book length overview of agricultural development in the ancient world a companion to ancient agriculture is an authoritative overview of the history and development of agriculture in the ancient world focusing primarily on the near east and mediterranean regions this unique text

explores the cultivation of the soil and rearing of animals through centuries of human civilization from the neolithic beginnings of agriculture to late antiquity chapters written by the leading scholars in their fields present a multidisciplinary examination of the agricultural methods and influences that have enabled humans to survive and prosper consisting of thirty one chapters the companion presents essays on a range of topics that include economic political anthropological zooarchaeological ethnobotanical and archaeobotanical investigation of ancient agriculture chronologically organized chapters offer in depth discussions of agriculture in bronze age egypt and mesopotamia hellenistic greece and imperial rome iran and central asia and other regions sections on comparative agricultural history discuss agriculture in the indian subcontinent and prehistoric china while an insightful concluding section helps readers understand ancient agriculture from a modern perspective fills the need for a full length biophysical and social overview of ancient agriculture provides clear accounts of the current state of research written by experts in their respective areas places ancient mediterranean agriculture in conversation with contemporary practice in eastern and southern asia includes coverage of analysis of stable isotopes in ancient agricultural cultivation offers plentiful illustrations references case studies and further reading suggestions a companion to ancient agriculture is a much needed resource for advanced students instructors scholars and researchers in fields such as agricultural history ancient economics and in broader disciplines including classics archaeology and ancient history

The Sumerian World

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this book is a culmination of that research after trashing his work 10 times and starting over he managed to get a revised chronology that seemed to be more accurate than that being put out by the status quo universities it combines secular world history with biblical history in a far more even and smoother match than that proposed by former historians who have attempted the same this is his version 12 which doesnt try to match different histories based on dates but rather by matching people and events and then applying revised dates to those events and people this work will call into question the conclusions of historians of the last 200 years about the ancient periods of time and provide an alternative dating for those times it is a world history in that

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