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**Post-Assessment Cahokia**

**Directions:** Answer the following questions on the lines provided. The point values are listed after each question. This assignment is worth 12 points total.

1. What current day city and state is located near Cahokia?  
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2. What are two characteristics of the Cahokia civilization?  
\_\_\_\_\_ (2)

3. What were two of the three possible explanations for why Cahokia disappeared?  
\_\_\_\_\_ (2)

4. What was the main crop of the Cahokia people?  
\_\_\_\_\_ (1)

5. From the video, list three of the environmental characteristics of the Cahokia area.  
\_\_\_\_\_ (3)

6. Describe the game that was played on the Grand Plaza.  
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\_\_\_\_\_ (2)

## Answer Key

1. What current day city and state is located near Cahokia? *St.Louis, Missouri*
2. What are some characteristics of the Cahokia civilization? *Mound builders, large population*
3. What were two of the explanations for why Cahokia disappeared?  
*Deforestation, crop depletion because of climate change*
4. What was the main crop of the Cahokia people?  
*maize or corn*
5. From the video, list three of the environmental characteristics of the Cahokia area.  
*Woodlands, river nearby, wildlife*
6. Describe the game that was played on the Grand Plaza.  
*Chunkey was played by rolling stone discs on the ground then throwing a spear at the spot where you predict the disc will stop. The person whose spear was closest to the disc won.*