

INB p. ____ Hammurabi's Code

LAW #	<p style="text-align: center;">WHAT THE LAW SAYS</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">DISCUSS THE MEANING WITH YOUR GROUP. EVALUATE FOR FAIRNESS</p>	FAIR OR UNFAIR?
1	If a man lies at a trial, that could cause an innocent man to be executed, that liar will be executed.	
6	If anyone steals the property of a temple or of the court, he shall be put to death, and also the one who receives the stolen thing from him shall be put to death.	
14	If a builder builds a house and the house collapses and kills the owner of the house, the builder shall be put to death. If the house collapses and kills the owner's son, then the son of the builder shall be put to death.	
22	If anyone is committing a robbery and is caught, then he shall be put to death.	
53	If a physician kills a patient or cuts out a patient's eye when trying to remove a tumor, the physician's hands will be cut off.	
96	If a man puts out the eye of another man, his eye shall be put out.	
109	If a son hits his father, his hands shall be cut off.	
121	If anyone opens his ditches to water his crops, but is careless, and the water floods the field of his neighbor, then he shall pay his neighbor corn for his loss. If he be not able to replace the corn, then he and his possessions shall be divided among the farmers whose corn he has flooded.	
188	If a man adopts a child and teaches him his skills, he cannot be demanded back by the original family.	
197	If a fire breaks out in a house and a person who helps to put out the fire steals something from the house, that person shall be thrown into the fire.	
199	If he put out the eye of a man's slave, or break the bone of a man's slave, he shall pay one-half of its value.	
200	If a man knocks out the teeth of his equal, his teeth shall be knocked out.	

After Reading Directions: Answer the following questions after reading a few of King Hammurabi's laws. Make sure you reference the laws to answer each question.

1. What was the purpose of writing these laws?

2. How do you think these laws may have changed behavior during this time?

3. Which laws did you **agree** with?

Which did you **disagree** with?

[List the # and explain why you agree or disagree with the law]

<u>Agree</u>	<u>Disagree</u>
• #_____ Why_____	• #_____ Why_____
• #_____ Why_____	• #_____ Why_____

4. Look at laws 199 and 200. Do you think the laws were truly EQUAL AND FAIR? Was EVERYONE really treated equally? Explain.

5. According to the laws, what are 3 offenses [reasons] in which you could be put to death?

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6. Would you rather live by the Code of Hammurabi or our current laws? Explain.
