Site Links Related to Mesopotamia or Language

Ancient Mesopotamia Sites

ABZU - Mesopotamian Study Resources Akkadian Language (Babylonian and Assyrian cuneiform texts) Cuneiform Digital Library Initiative (site at UCLA) Cuneiform Digital Library Initiative (mirror site in Berlin) Current Description of the Cuneiform Digital Library Initiative Mesopotamian Year Names Pennsylvania Sumerian Dictionary (PSD) project The Electronic Text Corpus of Sumerian Literature, Oxford Sumerian Lexicon: A Dictionary Guide to the Ancient Sumerian Language Sumerisches Glossar: Bearbeitung von Rechts- und Verwaltungsurkunden (DFG-Projekt), by Walther Sallaberger Mesopotamian Mathematics **Babylonian** Mathematics History Topics in Babylonian Mathematics Le calcul sexagésimal en Mésopotamie Babylonian Astronomy/Astrology Software Program Bibliography of Mesopotamian Astronomy and Astrology The Development, Heyday, and Demise of Panbabylonism, article by Gary D. Thompson Sumerian Constellations and Star Names? Hope Anthony's Sumerian and Akkadian Star Catalogue, derived from Reiner and Pingree Hope Anthony's A Guide To Ancient Near Eastern Astronomy, salvaged by the Pomona College Astronomy Dept. On the Astronomical Records and Babylonian Chronology Musical Theory in the Ancient World - the Mesopotamian Precursors of Pythagoras The Invention of Music in the Orientalizing Period History of Mesopotamian Measures, by Livio C. Stecchini - Introduction, Length, Volume & Weight, Stereometric Texts, and Seeding Rates Eisenbraun's - Source for Scholarly Books Archaeologia - Booksellers of Used, Out of Print, Antiquarian Books on the Near East **Oriental Institute Bookstore** Oriental Institute on the WWW Samuel Noah Kramer Institute of Assyriology and Ancient Near Eastern Studies The American Academic Research Institute in Iraq Vitas of Ancient Near Eastern Scholars on the Web Names and Addresses of Scholars and Advanced Students Involved in Cuneiform Studies and Near Eastern Archaeology E-mail Addresses for Ancient Near Eastern Scholars Who's Who in Cuneiform Studies - Biographies for Deceased Cuneiform Scholars

Resources for Ancient Near Eastern Studies - bibliographies of publications by Assyriologists

Resources for Ancient Near Eastern Studies - bibliographies in certain subjects, such as Music

<u>Chroniques bibliographiques - compilation critique des publications assyriologiques</u> <u>Chroniques assyriologiques - Le nouveau site des Chroniques - Néo-sumérien</u>

Internet Researcher: Library Tools for Ancient Near Eastern Research, from Catholic University of America

<u>Gudea Cylinder transcription plates</u> - see <u>the ETCSL for transliterations</u>

CDLI presentation of Sumerian Sign-Lists - from Late Uruk to Ur III

Old Sumerian Signs copied from Labat (Labyrinths - Part4)

Akkadian Cuneiform Signs - with Index to Borger and Labat

A survey of cuneiform signlists

The Diachronic Corpus of Sumerian Literature - appears at this time to be only a catalog with no online texts

Database of Neo-Sumerian Texts (BDTNS)

Sources of Early Akkadian Literature (SEAL): A Text Corpus of Babylonian and Assyrian Literary Texts from the 3rd and 2nd Millennia BCE

Old Babylonian Text Corpus - includes Old Babylonian-English dictionary and a sign list with all variant forms

Late Old Babylonian Personal Names Index (LOB-PNI) - 13,573 names from 1683-1595 B.C.

ARCHIBAB - Archives babyloniennes (XXe-XVIIe siècles av. J.C.)

Corpus of Ancient Mesopotamian Scholarship (CAMS), includes astronomy texts such as Mul-Apin 2

Introduction to the Babylonian Language, by Robert M. Whiting

Support page for the CDA - A Concise Dictionary of Akkadian - Addenda, corrigenda, and supporting bibliography

<u>Neo-Assyrian Glossary</u> - a reliable Akkadian-English lexicon (the CDA is much more complete, but not on-line)

Akkadian - English - French Dictionary

Descriptive catalog page for The Assyrian Dictionary of the Oriental Institute of the University of Chicago (CAD) - the university has now generously made all of the 25 available volumes of this premier Akkadian dictionary downloadable in pdf form Proceedings of the 51st Rencontre Assyriologique Internationale, Held at the Oriental Institute of the University of Chicago, July 18–22, 2005, articles on: 1) Lexicography, Philology, and Textual Studies; 2) Iconography and Art History; and 3) Archaeology and Stratigraphy

<u>Phillips 13 - tablet with a detailed item inventory from the royal household of King</u> Shulgi of the Ur III dynasty, together with FAQ, glossary, and Ur III map

Dyke College Ur III Texts - photo, transliteration, & translation of 5 receipt tablets Cuneiform Inscriptions of the University of Minnesota from Ur III Period - 16 Tablets Babylonian Clay Tablets at South Georgia State Normal College (Valdosta State

<u>University</u>) - with research on background of Edgar J. Banks

Cuneiform Tablet Collection of Ripon College, Clark Collection, from Ur III Period - 7 Tablets

Tablets Relating to Sumerian History in the Schoven Collection Ashmolean Museum: The Weld-Blundell Prism: The Sumerian King-List Sumerian temple records at the Australian Institute of Archaeology Cuneiform Tablets at the Library of Congress TEXTOS ELAMITAS: Dirección, transcripciones y traducción Elam between Assyriology and Iranian Studies Elam.net - Storia, lingua e cultura dell'antico Elam Mesopotamian King List 2800 - 500 B.C., 199KB worth of material about each ruler of ancient Mesopotamia Political Change and Cultural Continuity in Eshnunna from the Ur III to the Old **Babylonian** Period Archiv für Orientforschung journal Journal of Cuneiform Studies Home Page BASOR - Bulletin of the American Schools of Oriental Research Journal of Near Eastern Studies Journal of Ancient Near Eastern Society (JANES) Cumulative Index IRAQ, the journal of the British School of Archaeology in IRAQ (BSAI) Revue d'assyriologie et d'archéologie orientale KASKAL, Rivista di Storia, ambiente e culture del Vicino Oriente antico. A Journal of History, Environment, and Cultures of the Ancient Near East Zeitschrift für Assyriologie und Vorderasiatische Archäologie Reallexikon der Assyriologie und Vorderasiatischen Archäologie Rencontre Assyriologique Internationale Origins of Early Writing Systems, conference, October 5 to 7, 2007, Peking University, Beiiing 54e Rencontre Assyriologique Internationale, Würzburg, July 21-25, 2008, theme: "Organization, Representation and Symbols of Power in the Ancient Near East" - click on flag for your preferred language (German, English, or French) From the 21st Century BC to the 21st Century AD: The Present and Future of Neo-Sumerian Studies - conference, Madrid, July 22-24, 2010 International Association for Assyriology International Association for Assyriology: cooperation - listings of ongoing projects in Assvriology Sumerian Mythology FAO Sumerian Mythology, by Samuel Noah Kramer, [1944, 1961] Samuel Noah Kramer biography Sumerians on the Information Superhighway - magazine article about Steve Tinney's transfer of the Pennsylvania Sumerian Dictionary (PSD) project to the Internet Sumerian Myths from a class on World Mythology Civilization Begins - 224 KB worth of facts and quotes about Sumer and Sumerians. from C. McArver of the Porter-Gaud School Mesopotamian Religion - Bibliography by Piotr Steinkeller Magic and Divination in the Neo-Assyrian Period: A Selected Bibliography by Lorenzo Verderame The Religion of Babylonia and Assyria by Theophilus G. Pinches (Many Divine Names Are Now Read Differently, But This Detailed 1906 Work Is a Classic)

Ancient Near Eastern Gods Enki and Ea: Diachronical Analysis of Texts and Images from the Earliest Sources to the Neo-Sumerian Period - MA Thesis

The International Database of the Melammu Project - entries investigate the continuity, transformation and diffusion of Mesopotamian culture throughout the ancient world from the second millennium BC until Islamic times

The Neo-Assyrian Text Corpus Project

The Neo-Assyrian Empire - Knowledge and Power

The Babylonian Nineveh Texts, a descriptive database created by Jeanette C. Fincke

(2003) as part of The Ashurbanipal Library Project of the British Museum

Updates to The Prosopography of the Neo-Assyrian Empire

The Comprehensive Aramaic Lexicon

Ancient Mesopotamian Libraries, a Word document by Amanda K. Sprochi, Resident Music Librarian, Kent State University

Keilschriftforschung - Universitaet Goettingen

Digitale Keilschriftbibliothek Lexikalischer Listen aus Assur

Archives of ANE Discussion List for the Study of the Ancient Near East (Oriental Institute)

ANE 2 - a moderated academic discussion list that focuses on topics and issues of interest in Ancient Near Eastern Studies

Mesopotamia links from the Quartz Hill School of Theology

Cuneiform Revealed: an introduction to cuneiform script and the Akkadian language

<u>Cuneiform Writing @ University of Pennsylvania Museum of Archaeology and</u> Anthropology

Brown University Seniors 'Crack' Cuneiform Tablets

Historical decipherment of cuneiform, in 1857 the Royal Asiatic Society placed a test case before Edward Hincks, Jules Oppert, Henry Creswicke Rawlinson, and William

Henry Fox Talbot

USC's Introduction to Cuneiform Tablets page

InscriptiFact: A Networked Database of Ancient Near Eastern Inscriptions - database of over 30,000 high-resolution images

Animated evolution of cuneiform signs page

Frayne - Scribal Education in Ancient Babylonia

How to Recognize a Scribal School - Formal Scribal Training - what Sumerian lexical texts did ANE schools utilize?

La Mésopotamie ancienne - Naissance de l'écriture

Écriture cunéiforme

Unwrapping and Visualizing Cuneiform Tablets - successful project at Stanford University to digitize clay tablets

The Digital Classification of Ancient Near Eastern Cuneiform Data (Univ. of Birmingham)

The Cuneiform Digital Palaeography Project (a joint project at the Univ. of Birmingham and the British Museum)

Digital Hammurabi project at Johns Hopkins University

Cuneiform Signs, Lloyd Anderson's studies to support the Unicode encoding of the

Cuneiform writing system

<u>n2786.pdf - Final Proposal to Encode Cuneiform Script in Unicode (Adobe pdf document file from June 10, 2004)</u>

<u>Cuneiform Composite font</u>, covers Unicode 5.0, with characters that range from Fara to Neo-Assyrian - created by Steve Tinney with assistance from Michael Everson <u>Neo-Assyrian version of the Cuneiform Composite font</u>, by Peter Bienstman <u>Set of 2 TrueType fonts supplying 450 of the most common Sumerian Ur III period</u> cuneiform signs - developed by Guillaume Malingue

A set of 4 TrueType fonts supplying 388 cuneiform signs in which the wedges have a 3 Dimensional appearance - by Carsten Peust (also with a Sumerian Grammar bibliography)

Cuneiform fonts for TeX/LaTeX/PDFLaTeX - by Karel Piska

Fonts developed by Bendt Alster for *Transliterating* Sumerian and Akkadian - not Cuneiform

Bendt Alster's updates to his Sumerian Proverbs publications

<u>Home Page of Daniel A. Foxvog</u>, with Introduction to Sumerian Grammar, Elementary Sumerian Glossary, Timeline of Mesopotamian History, and Chief Figures of the Mesopotamian Pantheon

<u>Home Page of Pascal Attinger</u>, with Sumerian literature translations into French and Sumerian grammatical problems

<u>Home Page of Christine Proust</u>, publications on Mesopotamian mathematics, mainly in French

In-Depth Information About Sumer, especially as it relates to the city of Nippur Nippur, Sacred City of Enlil, Supreme God of Sumer and Akkad, by archaeologist McGuire Gibson

Iraq Site Map - Univ. of Chicago Oriental Institute Map Series

AMAR: Archive of Mesopotamian Archaeological Site Reports

Photographs of Mesopotamian archaeological sites, provided by John C. Sanders & Oriental Institute, University of Chicago

Archaeology Photos, with Images of Archaeological Sites in Mesopotamia (Iraq &

Syria), from Peter Langer - Associated Media Group (has 110 photos of Babylon, among other sites)

Aerial views of ancient Uruk, huge, slow-loading page in Arabic

Database project to track archaeological sites in Iraq - funded by the NEH

Seafaring and the Arabian Neolithic - British Archaeological Expedition to Kuwait (BAEK)

Inside a Sumerian Temple: The Ekishnugal at Ur, from The Temple in Time and Eternity, by E. Jan Wilson

Architectural Marvels of Ancient Mesopotamia - informative, but graphics are slow to load

Ships and Shipbuilding in Ancient Mesopotamia (ca. 300-200 B.C.)

Facts on File: Mesopotamian canals and aqueducts

Housing and Plumbing in Mesopotamia

Women in Mesopotamia (Women in World History Curriculum)

The En-hedu-Ana Research Pages - Unearthing the First Known Author

Enheduanna's Writings

The Epic of Gilgamesh

| Score transliterations of the Standard Babylonian Epic of Gilgamesh, Tablets I-XII, |
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| Andrew George, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London |
| Official Site for Gilgamesh, The Motion Picture (the IMDB page has disappeared) |
| The Metropolitan Museum of Art - The Collection: Ancient Near Eastern Art (page |
| highlights 50 objects from 4,000 years) |
| Overview of "Treasures of the Royal Tombs of Ur" @ University of Pennsylvania |
| Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology |
| Treasures from the Royal Tombs of Ur, McClung Museum's Special Exhibition |
| The Morgan Library Collections Ancient Near Eastern Seals & Tablets |
| The British Museum, The Middle East |
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| British Museum - Search the British Museum collection database online |
| Field Museum 'reuniting' scattered collections from ancient Iraq site |
| Lost Treasures From Iraq, Objects From The Iraq Museum Database, hosted by Oriental |
| Institute, Univ. of Chicago |
| The Iraq National Museum, historical reconstruction on Polish 'Adam Mickiewicz |
| Institute' site |
| Antiquities of Mesopotamia at the Vatican Museums |
| The Centrality of the Date Palm and its Sex Life to Sumerians |
| Ancient Flowers, Trees, Herbs, Fruits, Vegetables and Shrubs |
| History of Horticulture - Herbals: The Connection Between Horticulture and Medicine |
| Bibliography of Archaeobotanical Reports from Iraq and Related Items |
| Medicinal, Culinary and Aromatic Plants in the Near East |
| 27 University Level Essays on Third Millenium Mesopotamia (University of Manchester, |
| Faculty of Arts) |
| The Development of Ancient Mesopotamian Law, paper by Dan King |
| Financing Civilization, book chapter by William N. Goetzmann |
| Land Markets in the Ancient Near East, by Morris Silver |
| The Early Evolution of Interest-Bearing Debt, by Michael Hudson |
| Mesopotamian Worldview Expressions |
| For six other papers on Ancient Mesopotamian subjects, click for the Fall 2002 class on |
| Race and Ethnicity in Ancient Mesopotamia |
| Bibliography for the Formation of Early States in the Near East (4,000-2,000BC) |
| Bibliography for Mesopotamian Urbanism |
| Bibliography for Mesopotamian Architecture, Construction Materials and Techniques |
| Iraqi History Page, by Ali al-Sammawy |
| Iraq - Ancient Mesopotamia - Sumer, Akkad, Babylon, and Assyria, from Library of |
| Congress country study |
| Genesis in Sumer - book chapter on Sumerian civilization by Frank E. Smitha |
| Ethics of Sumer, Babylon, and Hittites by Sanderson Beck |
| Anthropologist Mike Shupp Summarizes Archaeological Evidence Relating to Origins of |
| Sumerian Civilization |
| Anthropologist Mike Shupp Examines Evidence for an Uruk Period Prosperity Zone |
| School of American Research Advanced Seminar: Mesopotamia in the Era of State |
| Formation - a reliable source covering the fourth millenium Uruk Period |
| Book Review of Guillermo Algaze, <i>The Uruk World System: The Dynamics of Expansion</i> |
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| <u>of Early Mesopotamian Civilization</u> |

The Life and Death of the Sumerian Language in Comparative Perspective - Piotr Michalowski Sumerian Epics, Hymns, and Letters - Piotr Michalowski The Adaptation of Cuneiform to Akkadian - Piotr Michalowski Elementary Education at Nippur. The Lists of Trees and Wooden Objects - Niek Veldhuis, all of his publications here Papers on Ancient Mesopotamia - Ian Lawton Tracing Assyrian Scholarship, Lecture by Stefan Maul Ninurta as the God of Wisdom, 2001 paper by Amar Annus Protohistory in Mesopotamia The Origins of Writing as a Problem of Historical Epistemology, article by Peter Damerow Linguistics 201: The Invention of Writing Numerical notation and abstraction of concepts, Origins of Writing conf. paper by Pettersson Ancient Mesopotamian Accounting and Human Cognitive Evolution, article by Tom Mouck Who Began Writing? Many Theories, Few Answers (NY Times Science article) Accounting with Tokens in the Ancient Near East, article by Denise Schmandt-Besserat More Articles by Denise Schmandt-Besserat in Table of Contents at 'Ain Ghazal **Excavation Reports** Animal Figurines, including Animal symbolism in the ancient Near East (Schmandt-Besserat) Mesopotamia Life and Teaching Materials Ancient Mesopotamia: Classroom & Museum Lesson Plans (from the Oriental Institute in Chicago) Sargon I of Akkad The Ancient World Web: A very ambitious collection of links Mythology's Mythinglinks: the Tigris-Euphrates Region of the Ancient Near East - An Annotated & Illustrated Collection of Worldwide Links to Mythologies, Fairy Tales & Folklore, Sacred Arts & Traditions Gateways To Babylon - Extensive Links Archaeology on the Internet - a collection of links All Empires History Forum - an active site for postings on many ancient and languagerelated topics Guide to Universities that Teach Sumerian U.Chi. Dept. of Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations UCLA, Department of Near Eastern Languages and Cultures News items about UCLA's Near Eastern Languages and Cultures Dept. Univ. Of Michigan, Department of Near Eastern Studies Univ. of Michigan, Near Eastern Studies Library Resources Near East specialists at Oxford Yale, Near Eastern Languages & Civilizations, Babylonian Collection Highlights from the Garshana Collection | Cuneiform Library at Cornell University Sumerian greeting on Voyager spacecraft record: silim-ma he2-me-en = Welcome! [May you be healthy!]

Translating Elvis into Sumerian

Sumerian - Ural-Altaic Comparisons

Magyar Comparisons - even more ambitious than the preceding link - compares "Afro-Asiatic, Altaic, Austro-Asiatic, Basque, Caucasian, Dravidian, Etruscan, Sino-Tibetan, Sumerian and even some Indo-European links."

<u>LexiLine - Sumerian and Indo-European Similarities A to K - Archaic Baltic Latvian</u> <u>LexiLine - Sumerian and Indo-European Similarities L to Z - Archaic Baltic Latvian</u> Lithuanian

Austric Relationship of Sumerian Language

About Hungarian and Sumerian

Turkish and Sumerian

Sumerian-Ural-Altaic Affinities, *Current Anthropology* short article with scholarly responses

Medicine in Ancient Mesopotamia

Mesopotamian Disease and Medicine (CDLI project with bibliography)

History of Mesopotamian Medicine, a collection of links

History of Dentistry - Ancient Mesopotamia

Archaeology of Grains and Beer-Making

The Goddess Ninkasi Hymn as a Guide to Beer-Making

The Origins and Ancient History of Wine

Commodity Prices in Babylon 385 - 61 BC

Mesopotamian Chronology, and click here for a list of historical chronicles

A Chronology of the Ancient Near East

A Timeline of Climate History around 3000 BC

Language or Research Sites

The LINGUIST List BL Online - The bibliographical database of linguistics Numbers in over 5000 Languages Proto-World and the Language Instinct, by Mark Rosenfelder, investigates and finds that "evidence for the language instinct is weak" A Brief Introduction to the History of Names A Bibliography of Semitic Linguistics Linguistic Exploration - links to on-line language projects and dictionaries Academy of Ancient Languages Search the Card Catalog of the New York Public Library WorldCat, a worldwide library catalog created and maintained collectively by more than 9,000 member institutions article on Sumerian Language in the Wikipedia free encyclopedia article that is especially informative about Sumerian grammar in the German version of Wikipedia, based on an article by Ernst Kausen, Die sumerische Sprache The Yoshikawa Database of Materials for a Sumerian Lexicon - search for a word or word compound and get handwritten references to publications where the word occurs Lexical Freenet Connected Thesaurus searchable Lexicon of Linguistics

The World Atlas of Language Structures Online

CogPrints: Cognitive Sciences EPrint Archive

The sci.lang Newsgroup FAQ

Google Groups - search the contents of the Usenet discussion forums

Ancient Scripts of the World, with Historical Linguistics Links

Ancient Languages and Scripts

How the Alphabet Was Born from Hieroglyphs - article in Biblical Archaeology Review magazine

Ancient Indus Valley Script

Religion Reflected in the Indus Valley Script, Article by Asko Parpola

Dr. Steve Farmer's evidence that the so-called Indus script was not part of a true writing system nor was the Harappan civilization literate

Old Europe 'Writing' Bibliographic Rererences

Proto-Semitic Language and Culture - excellent article by John Huehnergard

web site of the late L.O. Schuman - the 103 Kb salient.pdf essay explores The Semitic

Languages and Hamito-Semitic, Salient Features of Renewed Etymology, being an abstract of an unpublished manuscript on Semitic etymology, historical linguistics, and

general linguistics

The Early History of Indo-European Languages - by Thomas V. Gamkrelidze and V. V. <u>Ivanov</u>

Examining the Farming/Language Dispersal Hypothesis - edited by Peter Bellwood and Colin Renfrew

Phylogenetic network method puts origin of Proto-Indo-European language at 8100 BC ± 1,900 years

Early Date for the Birth of Indo-European Languages

The Indo-European Etymological Dictionary (IED)

The Ergativic Stage of Early Proto-Indoeuropean

A History of the English Language

A History of the Hindi Language

A History of the Arabic Language

About the Hungarian Language

The Chinese Language and its Development

The Chinese Language: Myths and Facts

Logographic Writing Systems

Babel's Dawn- A blog about the evolution of speech from primate vocalizations to

meaningful exchanges

Historical Linguistics links by the Open Directory Project

Language Origins Society

Evolution of Language - Program of a comprehensive April, 2000 conference

Margaret Magnus's sound symbolism links

Archives of SOUNDSYMBOL List

one-page Hebrew dictionary - of Semitic phememes

The memetic origin of language: modern humans as musical primates

Whistled Speech

Deaf children create new sign language

American Scientist - The Gestural Origins of Language

Gesture Language in Naples - see 4th paragraph in particular

Dan Moonhawk Alford's Home Page

Essays on thinking and language by Yuri Tarnopolsky

Henry Drummond on The Evolution of Language, chapter 5 of The Lowell Lectures on the Ascent of Man, 1904

The real explanation of the FOXP2 "Language Gene", by Alec MacAndrew

Localizing recent adaptive evolution in the human genome

Wave model (linguistics)

Genes and language, by Luigi Luca Cavalli Sforza, Stanford University - a 607 Kb pdf file, but it loads fast

Speaking in Tongues: Theories on the Origins of Language

Language evolved in a leap - article by Ferrer i Cancho, R. & Solé, R. V. "Least effort and the origins of scaling in human language."

Report on a new computer program that uses language structure, not vocabulary, to analyze the degree of relatedness between languages

Language Evolution and Computation Bibliography

Julian Jaynes Revisited, including summary of Nicholas Humphrey on cave paintings and language