#### Video Questions

- What does the video say a code is?
- Who was the first person to write down a code of laws?
- What is the catch phrase for Hammurabi's code and what is the meaning of it?

## Objective

• I will be able to determine the impact Hammurabi had on the Mesopotamian civilization by analyzing his laws and creating my own law.

#### Creating your own laws

- You will receive a law
- Write down the law
- Explain what the law means in your own words.
- Decide if its fair and why it is or isn't fair.
- Then create your own law based off the one that you had to make it more fair.

• If any one steal 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.

Law:
In your Own words:
Fair? Why or Why not?
Create your own law:

 If any one bring an accusation against a man, and the accused go to the river and leap into the river, if he sink in the river his accuser shall take possession of his house. But if the river prove that the accused is not guilty, and he escape unhurt, then he who had brought the accusation shall be put to death, while he who leaped into the river shall take possession of the house that had belonged to his accuser.

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- You and your Shoulder Partner
- Conversation Level 0-1

#### **Exit Questions**

- Why was Hammurabi's code so important to the people of the Mesopotamia?
- Predict if this system of laws was successful or unsuccessful and explain your reason.

#### Youtube

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZO1r2dvLSKo