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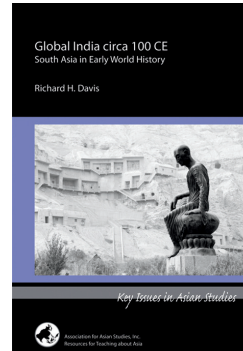
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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

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2. How does thinking of world "civilizations" affect the way we approach history?
3. How does this bear on our modern world, with its civilizational categories?
4. Who are the agents of global connections in ancient times?
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