

8,000 BCE - 500CE Ancient Engineering.

hunters-gatherers; nomadic, small bands

stone, wood tools

farm - plant, animal domestication

political, religious

settled, build houses, population ↑, social organisation

transport routes, coordinating services, building: boats, harbors

large buildings, roads,

people, more specialized
metals: copper, tin, bronze, iron,
other materials: clay bricks,
cities, city states, trade,
alphabets, writing, number systems,
coins,
wheel, axle, irrigation canals,

8000 BCE - 500 CE (2) Ancient Eng.

transition: hunter-gatherers (nomadic) → farm (plant, animal domestication)
houses, population↑, social, political organization, trade, transport
large buildings, roads, boats, harbors, irrigation, wheel & axle
metals: copper, bronze, iron

Writing

Hammurabi (1780 BCE?) Babylonia

Ziggurat, Sumer, Greece, thought, philosophy, theory (practical)



Romans, Vitruvius

used by many (group, not individual)

- SLIDING



own
use

Agriculture

wheel

Metal

Cities



communal
use

Societal Interest
in Devices

Eng. begins in
this period

- responsibility

- conscious attention
to theory and practice