

Hip Hop History

Ancient India and China

Verse:

India is a large landmass jutting from a continent
It's quite prominent; it's called a **subcontinent**
It has raised level land with steep slopes
Like the Deccan which is called a **plateau**
Along time ago nomads intermarried with
Local peoples and called themselves Aryans
They settled down and became farmers
Their fight to gain territory was led by **rajahs**
Hindu's goal is to be one with **brahman** they make this
Through rebirth of the soul: **reincarnation**
Buddha, or **Siddhartha Gautama**
Sought union with the universe: **nirvana**
In China dynasties began
A group of families with a common ancestor is a **clan**
A teacher whose beliefs had a great influence
Was a Chinese philosopher named **Confucius**
A system of beliefs is a **philosophy**
China's first emperor was **Shi Huangdi**
The Chinese wrote with brushes and ink
This art form is known as **calligraphy**

Chorus:

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Need I remind ya' need-need I remind ya'
That these are two of the oldest cultures they've shown us
Religion, philosophy, empires, and so much