**Unit 7 Driving Question Notebook**

**Unit 7 Driving Question: Was Farming an Improvement Over Foraging (Hunting and Gathering)?**

**Part 1: Brainstorming**

With your table group, take 3 minutes to brainstorm some similarities and differences between the life styles of Hunters & Gatherers and Farmers.

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| **Hunters & Gatherers** | | **Farmers** | |
| Differences | Similarities | | Differences |
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**Part 2: Share Out**

As each group shares out their answers to part 1, record any that you did not have in the box below:

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| **Hunters & Gatherers** | | **Farmers** | |
| Differences | Similarities | | Differences |
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**Part 3: My Claim**

On the line below state your claim to the following question:

Was Farming an Improvement Over Foraging?

Claim:

I believe that:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Part 4: More Evidence**

As we watch and read the following documents, take notes about which life style it supports and why:

* Threshold 7: Agriculture (Video)
* Why Was Agriculture So Important (Video)
* History of Domestic Animals (Video)
* Collective Learning Part 2 (Reading)
* What’s For Dinner Tonight? (Reading)

**Part 5: My Claim Revisited**

Do you still agree with your answer from part 3? If not, what would you add to it to make it a better answer?

Claim:

I believe that….

Evidence:

The evidence that backs up my claim is….

Reasoning:

The reason my evidence backs up my claim is….