

5. Overall looks at New Villages

VI Settlement Patterns in Villages.

A. Building Materials and the Regions they are used.

1. Wood: Eurasia, US Pacific Coast, N. America, Australia, Brazil, Chile
2. Stone: Europe, Egypt, India, W. China, Yucatan, Mexico, S. Africa, Mid East
3. Grass + Brush: Low latitude regions, African savannas, East Africa Highlands, upland S. Africa, S. America Highlands, Amazon Basin, N. Australia
4. Poles + sticks (wattle): Africa, SE Asia
5. Sun-dried Brick: Mid East, M + S America, N China, African Savannah, N. Africa
6. Oven baked brick: Developed Nations.

B. Shapes of Villages

1. The shape of a village spatial layout was related to its function and its environment.
2. In Europe, villages were often clustered on the hillside to leave the flatlands for farming and to offer protection by being on an incline.
3. Many early villages were walled to keep invaders out.
4. In lowland areas with rivers and streams, villages would be linear in shape, following the water source, w/ landmarks radiating from the linear village.
5. Other villages in Europe, Asia, and Africa were round with a space in the middle for cattle.
6. Many built with a grid-plan with geometric boundaries