Ast 116 Sec 06 Extra Credit Assignment

Due May 11th 2005

Length of paper: at least 3 pages of text not including bibliography
Number of references: at least 4 - no more than 2 can be from the Internet

Background: Astronomy was very important to ancient cultures. For this paper research the role that astronomy played in an ancient culture you most identify with

Your paper needs to answer the following:
Who were the astronomers in the society?
What role did astronomy play in social and economic areas?
What role did astronomy play in the mythology and/or religion? (be specific and use examples)
Identify an astronomical object that was important to the culture (specific star, planet, etc.)
Was there any science related to ancient astronomy?