

8 CUNEIFORM SCRIBE

Your task as a scribe is to write one of the laws of Mesopotamia, using the “ancient” Tigris Cuneiform letters to do this.

1. When a man leaves a pit open or when a man digs a pit and does not cover it and an ox falls into it, the owner of the pit shall make it good. He shall give money to the owner of the ox and the dead beast shall be his.
2. When you buy a slave, he shall serve for six years. In the seventh he shall go free, for nothing.
3. When a man strikes a slave with a rod and the slave dies under his hand, he shall be punished. But if the slave survives a day or two, he is not to be punished.