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Teacher Key

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Drought, bad soil, volcanic eruption, wars. Answers may vary.

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If a society has an agriculture system, it means it can grow its own food or crops. Without food, a civilization cannot keep people healthy and alive. People die or move to other civilizations if possible.

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Answers will vary. Make sure students provide evidence.