#### Supplemental Table 2. Comparison of Tables of Contents of Major Introductory Archaeology Textbooks That Are Organized by Geographic Regions.

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|  | *Ancient Lives: An Introduction to Archaeology and Prehistory*, 6th ed. (Brian Fagan, 2016, Routledge.) | *Images of the Past* 8th ed. (Douglas Price and Gary Feinman, 2019, McGraw-Hill Education) | *The Human Past: World History & the Development of Human Societies*, 4th ed. (Chris Scarre, 2018, Thames & Hudson) |
| Cost – Pages | $175.001 – 558 pp1 | $130.661 – 656 pp2 | $102.501 – 7681 |
| Introduction to prehistory | 1. Introducing Archaeology and Prehistory |  | 1. Introduction: The Study of the Human Past |
| Archaeological methods and approaches | 2. The Record of the Past  3. Acquiring the Record  4. How Did People Live?  5. Individuals and Interactions  6. Studying the Intangible  7. Explaining the Past | 1. Principles of Archeology |
| History of archaeology |  |
| Hominins | 8. Human Origins  9. African Exodus | 2. The First Humans | 2. African Origins  3. Hominin Dispersals in the Old World  4. The Rise of Modern Humans |
| Modern humans | 10. The Great Diaspora | 3. The Hunters |
| Diaspora/ migration | 5. The Origins, Antiquity, and Dispersal of the First Americans |
| Origins of food production | 11. The Earliest Farmers | 4. The Origins of Agriculture | 6. The World Transformed: From Foragers and Farmers to States and Empires |
| Origin of complexity | 12. The First Civilizations  13. Early Asian Civilizations |
| The “Old World” | 8. States and Empires in Asia and Africa  9. Prehistoric Europe | 7. From Mobile Foragers to Complex Societies in Southwest Asia  8. East Asian Agriculture and Its Impact  9. Australia and the Indo-Pacific Islands during the Holocene  10. The Origins of Food-Producing Economies in the Americas  11. Holocene Africa  12. Holocene Europe  13. Peoples and Complex Societies of Ancient Southwest Asia  14. The Mediterranean World  15. South Asia: From Early Villages to Buddhism  16. Complex Societies of East and Southeast Asia |
| Ancient America | 14. Maize, Pueblos, and Earthwork Builders  15. Mesoamerican Civilizations  16. Andean Civilizations | 5. Native North Americans  6. Ancient Mesoamerica  7. South America: The Inca and their Predecessors | 17. Mesoamerican Civilization  18. From Village to Empire in South America  19. Complex Societies of North America |
| Becoming an archaeologist | 17. So You Want to Become an Archaeologist |  |  |
| Relevance of archaeology |  | 10. The Past As Present and Future | 20. The Human Past: Retrospect and Prospect |

1 - as listed on publisher’s website; 2 – as listed on Amazon.com