

## True or False

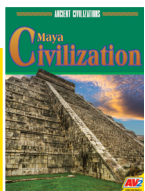
Follow the instructions to complete the activity.

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Using the information found in *Maya Civilization*, verify whether the following statements are true or false. Check your answers in the book. If the answer is false, write the correct answer below the statement. List the page number where you found the information beside your answer.

<b>Statement 1</b>	To obtain plastic, a rubber tree's bark is cut. The sap that drips from each incision is then collected into bowls.	<input type="checkbox"/> True <input type="checkbox"/> False	Page Number	<input type="text"/>
<b>Statement 2</b>	Maya civilization was at its height between the years 250 and 950 AD.	<input type="checkbox"/> True <input type="checkbox"/> False	Page Number	<input type="text"/>
<b>Statement 3</b>	The Maya civilization had a single king, or emperor.	<input type="checkbox"/> True <input type="checkbox"/> False	Page Number	<input type="text"/>
<b>Statement 4</b>	Rituals in ancient Maya were based on a 260-day sacred calendar.	<input type="checkbox"/> True <input type="checkbox"/> False	Page Number	<input type="text"/>
<b>Statement 5</b>	Maya were some of the first people to understand the concept of zero.	<input type="checkbox"/> True <input type="checkbox"/> False	Page Number	<input type="text"/>



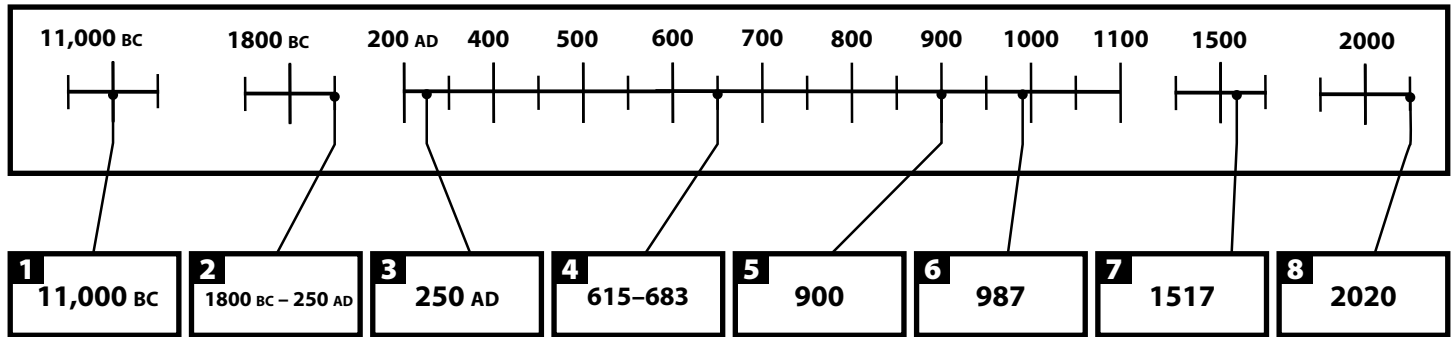
## Timeline Activity

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Number the events below in the order they would appear on the timeline. Write the number in the box beside each event. Check your answers with pages 29 of the book.



Many permanent villages are created, leading to the establishment of early Maya cities.

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The period known as the “golden age” of the Maya begins. Maya civilization grows to approximately 40 cities.

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Pakal the Great reigns over the Maya city-state of Palenque. Under his reign, the monumental buildings of Palenque are expanded.

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Hunter-gatherers first settle in the Maya lowlands and highlands.

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Descendants of the Maya live in modern-day Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, Belize, and parts of Mexico.

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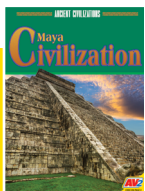
The Spanish arrive in Yucatán, bringing diseases, such as smallpox and measles, and wars.

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The Toltec people arrive in the Yucatán region. Maya in the northern regions become integrated into Toltec society by 1200.

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Maya society begins to decline, as cities in the Southern Lowlands are abandoned.

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## Fill in the Blanks

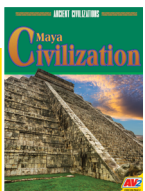
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Use the information found in *Maya Civilization* to help you complete the following activity.

1. Tikal, the  city, had a population of 60,000 people.
2. The Maya have lived in Mexico and  for more than 2,000 years.
3. Each Maya city's  was known as k'uhul ajaw.
4. Maya society was divided into three groups. The groups were the nobles, the middle class, and the .
5. The  calendar had 18 months.
6. The Maya believed that the god  created humans and gave them writing.
7. In Maya religion, heaven was believed to have 13 .



## Daily Life

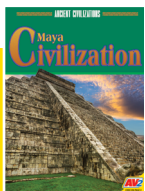
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Using the information found on pages 17–21 of the book, as well as the library and online content, choose three traditional aspects of the daily life of Maya people. Beside each entry, write a short explanation of the chosen aspect. Once you are finished, find a partner and discuss your findings. Did you and your partner choose the same things?

Daily Life Aspect	Significance



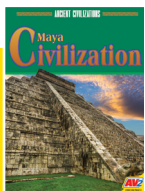
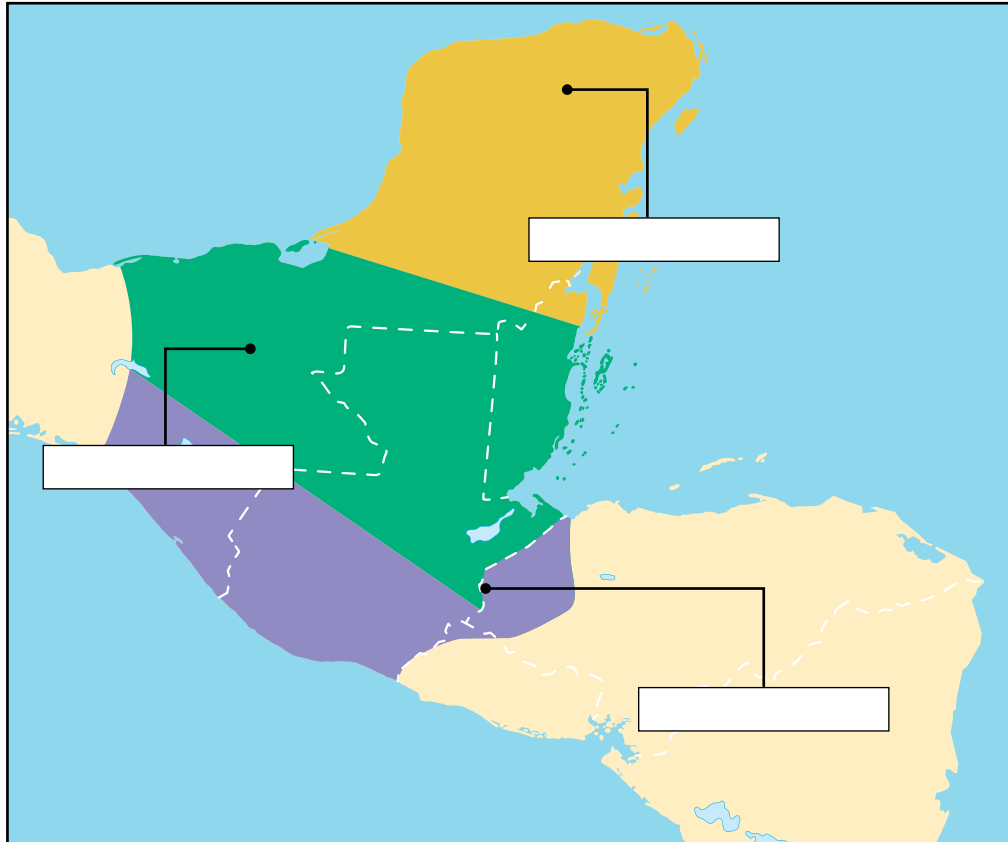
## Mapping Activity

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Using the information on pages 8–9 of the book, fill in the blanks on this map of the Maya territory with the name of major cities. Using the space below, choose one location and explain why it is culturally, historically, or environmentally important.



## Maya Civilization Quiz

Test your knowledge by answering these quiz questions.

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**1** When was the Joya de Cerén archaeological site discovered?

**2** How many players were there on a pitz team?

**3** What was a *sacbe*?

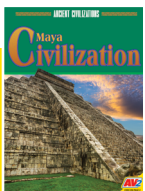
**4** For what purpose was the Long Count calendar used?

**5** How many symbols made up the Maya alphabet?

**6** What is another name for pitz

**7** What did Maya mix to make rubber?

**8** What was El Caracol?



## Key Words Match-Up

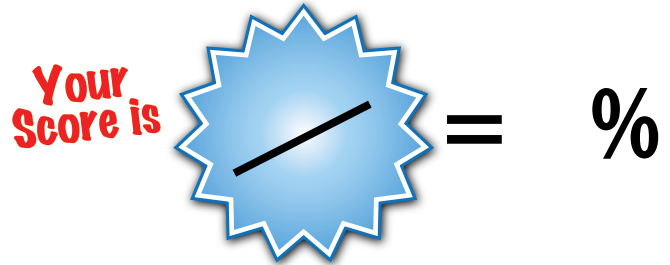
Write the words from the list below in the box above the correct definition for each word. Check your answers on page 31 of the book.

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### KEY WORDS

civilization	myth
descendants	sacrificed
drought	terrace
eclipses	tribute
Mesoamerican	UNESCO



- offered to the gods in exchange for protection or power
- a story about early history, especially one that involves supernatural beings or events
- people who come from a particular family, ancestor, or group of people
- a long, flat area along a mountainside created by building a wall
- times when light from the Sun or Moon is blocked from reaching Earth
- a period of dry weather
- a large group of people with a shared history, culture, and form of government
- an international organization that promotes the conservation of historical sites around the world
- something valuable that one group is forced to give to a more powerful group
- referring to the region of Central America occupied by the Maya and other indigenous peoples before the arrival of European colonizers

