

## Social Studies Menu

### Mesoamerica and Native American Civilizations

This assignment will teach you about the contributions and decline of ancient American civilizations. **Complete any 5** of the activities on this menu. This will be a test grade. Do your best work. ***Due on May 11th.***

#### Reading Comprehension

Read "The American Story"

The History of the World,

by Susan Wise Bauer

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and the Textbook to

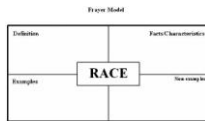
Answer the following Questions?

1. Why did the Spanish believe they were justified in going to war with the Incas?
2. Much of the terrain of the Inca Empire was mountainous. How did this affect crop growing in empire?
3. Tenochtitlan was an important cultural and trade center for which Mesoamerican civilization?
4. List the achievements of the Incas in the field of transportation?
5. What is the capital of the Inca Empire?
6. Which Advancements in mathematics did the Mayan use for 800 years before the Europeans arrived?
7. Describe the religion of the Incas and the Aztecs civilizations.
8. The Mayan people were the most technologically advanced of the Mesoamerican civilizations. What made the Mayans particularly successful?

#### Verbal Visual Vocabulary!

Your task: Create a Frayer model chart to explore the meaning of vocabulary words.

For each word your teacher assigns, you will fill out a chart like



Yucatan Peninsula, slash and burn agriculture, Chichen Itza, Tikal, Tenochtitlan, terraced, Machu Picchu, quipu, pueblos, adobe, mound builders, and maize

#### Civilization Comparison Chart

Take notes from the website and complete civilization chart

[http://www.ducksters.com/history/aztec\\_maya\\_inca.php](http://www.ducksters.com/history/aztec_maya_inca.php)

Use the chart in your packet

		Characteristics			
		walk	talk	swim	read
Items To Be Compared	person	X	X	X	X
	dog	X		X	
	cat	X		X	
	fish			X	

<http://www.graphic.org>

## Hands On Map Activity

### Map of North American Civilizations

*Your task: Get a map from the teacher and identify all geographic locations of the Mesoamerican civilizations.*

Example:

- Outline the continent of North America in blue
- Outline the continent of South America in green
- Outline the strip of land that connects the continents of North and South America in pink ( this is called Central America)
- Color the Aztec empire orange
- Color the Mayan empire brown
- Color the Incan empire yellow
- Label the capital of Aztec, Maya, and Inca.
- Circle each city in red
- Include TALDOGS

## Reading Comprehension

### Read Works Lesson

### The Aztec Empire

<https://share.nearpod.com/sB1hDdSfIM>

## Writing Assignment

Use the research materials and textbook to write 3 or more paragraphs on the contributions and decline of the Maya, Aztec, and Inca Civilization,