



Sticky learning

- Previously covered ancient civilizations and empires of the Egyptians, Romans and Greeks.
- That empires were made through fighting and having the best army and the most resources.
- Ancient civilizations introduced new technology like the Greeks and its architecture .



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New Knowledge

- I know who the ancient Maya people were and where they lived in the world.
- I know about the religious beliefs of the Maya people and some of their rituals.
- I know similarities and difference between Britain now and the Mayan civilization through looking at number systems and writing.
- I know how to use primary and secondary sources to find out about the Maya civilization.
- I know chocolate and maize was eaten by the Maya people and why they were significant.



Key Vocabulary

Civilization	A civilization is a group of people living together with their own cities, rules, beliefs, and ways of life.
Mesoamerica	Mesoamerica is a region in Central America where ancient civilizations like the Maya lived long ago.
Guatemala	Guatemala is a country in Central America where many Maya people lived and still live today.
Sacrifice	A sacrifice is something that is given up or offered, often as part of a religious belief.
Ritual	A ritual is a special action or ceremony that is done in the same way each time, often for religious reasons.
Scribe	A scribe is a person whose job was to write things down in the past.
Number system	A number system is a way of counting and writing numbers.
Hieroglyphs	Hieroglyphs are picture symbols used by ancient people to write words and tell stories.
Codex	A codex is an ancient book made from folded pages, often written by hand.
Chichen Itza	Chichen Itza is a famous ancient Maya city with large stone buildings and pyramids.
Primary source	A primary source is something from the past that was made at the time, like a diary, artefact, or letter.
Secondary source	A secondary source is something written later that explains or describes the past, like a history book.
Cacao beans	Cacao beans are seeds used by the Maya to make chocolate and were also used as money.
Maize	Maize is a type of corn that was a very important food for the Maya.
Chocolate	Chocolate is a food made from cacao beans, first made as a drink by ancient civilizations like the Maya.