

Name \_\_\_\_\_ **Ancient Mayan**



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Use words from the box to complete the paragraph.

hieroglyphics	calendar	gods	declined
mathematics	indigenous	rainforest	city-states

1. The Maya are an ancient \_\_\_\_\_ people from Mexico and Central America
2. The Maya civilization was composed to many \_\_\_\_\_ that each had its own independent government.
3. The Maya invented \_\_\_\_\_, which is a system of writing that uses pictures instead of words.
4. The Maya created a very accurate \_\_\_\_\_ based on their observations of the plants and the stars.
5. The Maya created a system of \_\_\_\_\_.
6. The Maya cleared areas of the \_\_\_\_\_ to create farmland , where they grew corn, beans, and squash.
7. The Maya worshiped \_\_\_\_\_ of the sun, the moon, rain, and corn.
8. The Mayan civilization \_\_\_\_\_ with the arrival of the Spanish in the early 1500s.