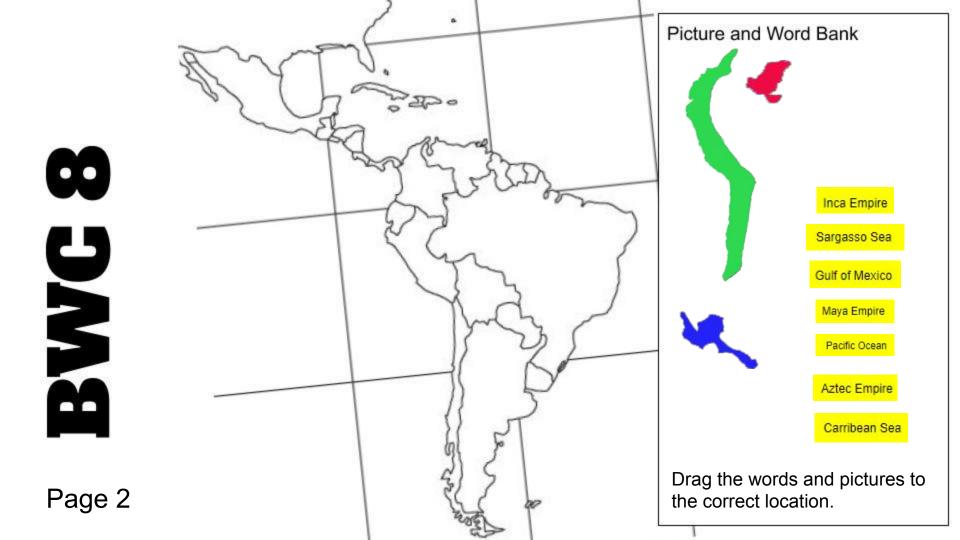
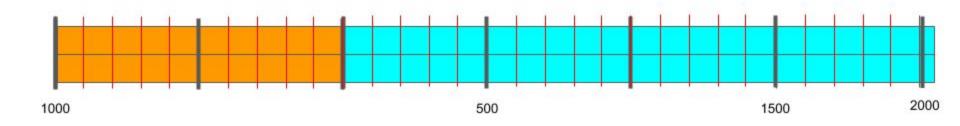
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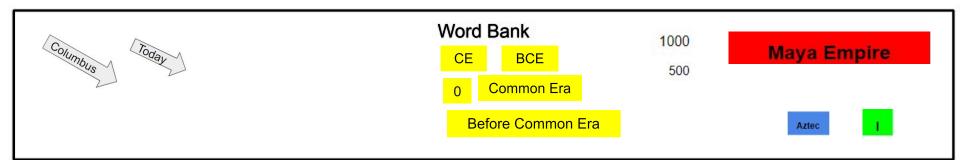






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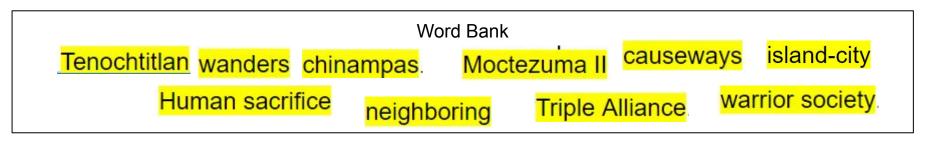


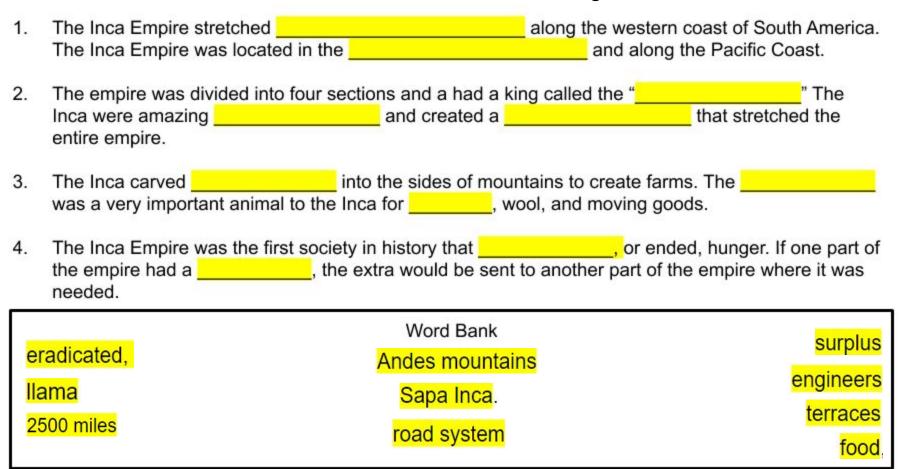


- The Maya civilization was located on the _____ Peninsula. The Maya Empire was at its height from _____to 900 CE.
- Scientists are still learning about the Maya through studying their ______ and their ______ and their ______.
 The Maya were great astronomers even though they had not invented the ______.
- The Maya had a sophisticated culture with a _______
 Their ______ were their religious pyramids.
- Scientists now think the Maya civilization ______ because of an extended (or long) drought. A ______ is a long time between rainfalls.

Word Bank		<mark>ruins</mark> l	<mark>nighest buildings</mark>	
highly developed religion	telescope	<mark>200 CE</mark>	Yucatar	drought
writing		disappeared		

- The Aztec Empire was known as the "______" The Aztec king ruled from the capital city of ______ (present day, Mexico City). Tenochtitlan was located on a series of islands and reclaimed land.
- 2. While the Aztec creation story shows the Aztec as _____, most historians see them as a ______. The need for humans to sacrifice made the Aztecs wage war on ______ tribes.
- 3. ______ was a central part of the Aztec and Maya societies. The Aztec King was also its highest priest as well. ______ was the last Aztec king.
- 4. When the Spaniards arrived in 1519, they thought the city was a dream. The Aztec created a floating farm called "______." There were bridges were called ______ connecting the ______ to the mainland.





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	Notes		
Mesoamerica -	Vanishing Civilization - Background Information		
	The Maya civilization was located on the		
	• The height of the Maya civilization was from 200 to		
	The Maya lived in		
	Mysterious Writing - Mayan Writing		
	The Maya had a fully developed (a system of		
	symbols that go with a specific sound) with over 800 symbols.		
	Maya words can be spelled in several ways which		
Hieroglyphs -	made it difficult to		
	• The Maya language was not decoded until the 1960's.		
	• :creation myth saying life was like breath on a mirror.		
	Serious Play - Maya Ball Game		
	• The game helped define and evil in the Maya culture.		
	 was named because it sounded like a ball 		
	bouncing.		
	Winners were heroes and losers wereto the		
City-State -	gods.		
	Maya Science and Daily Life - Technology		
	The Maya had a very accurate calendar withmonths with 20		
	days and one 5 day month.		
	They had advanced mathematics and the number zero.		
	The Maya invented modern		
	Maya Science and Daily Life - Daily Life		
	Most Maya people were		
	 Children began work at age five. Crossed-eyes were 		
	·		
	 At age, children became adults. 		
	• Maya believed that life had some and some sorrow.		

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	Notes
Nomadic -	The Aztec: Empire Builders
	The Aztec was originally called the ""
	This was an alliance between three cultures.
	• The Aztec capital city was called, in present day
	Mexico City. Tenochtitlan was built in on a salty lake.
	The Legend of the Five Suns - Religion
	The Aztec creation myth describes them as but
	historians see them as a society
	City built where they saw an on a cactus eating a
	The Aztec religion requiredto keep the
Causeway -	sun rising and moving across the
·	They used from the surrounding city states. The
	Aztec war to capture warriors for sacrifice.
	Tenochtitlan - City of Wonder
	Tenochtitlan was built on small, accessible by
	 They built raised gardens called and traveled
	through the city by
	In the Aztec society, the King was the
	Only lived in the city. There was a and an aviary
Chinampa -	Boys attended school and learned about Aztec and war.
	Girls followed their mothers in and tending the home.
	There was an enormous where everything was for sale
	The center of the city was the
	with temples and palaces.
	• was the last Aztec king. He was
	killed by his own people.

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	Notes			
geographical	Empire of the Sun			
diversity -	The Inca Empire stretched miles along the western coast of			
	, Bolivia, Ecuador, and Chile.			
	The king of the Inca was called the who			
	ruled over the Tawantinsuyu or four quarters of the earth.			
	The Inca created a road system over the entire empire. They had			
	called who would run in relays for speed.			
	• Their capital city was called and was in the shape of a puma.			
	Inca Family Life			
	The Inca paid a quarter of their life to the system called the			
Census -	M'ita. Men would and fight in battles. Women			
	would tend animals and			
	The census taker,, would travel around			
	the empire counting citizens, collecting taxes, and marrying young couples.			
	He-Who-Sees-Everything tallied the census on a			
	• The was a central part of Inca life. The llama was food,			
	for clothing, and a pack animal.			
Quipu -	Inca Technology			
	• The Inca built into the sides of the Andes to make farms.			
	The Inca were master builders and They could place			
	enormous without leaving any space between them.			
	• The Inca domesticated the potato, the, and the alpaca			
	Inca Politics			
	 The Inca subdued, or conquered, other tribes by using 			
	"" by attacking with an			
	army.			
	The Inca would move from one side of the			
	to another to keep citizens loyal.			