**Aztec, Maya, and Incan WebQuest**



**Goals of the Webquest**

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| **During this webquest, you will complete the following tasks:**    \_\_\_\_\_1. On the map provided, you will identify where the Incan, Maya, and Aztec empires were located.  \_\_\_\_\_2. You will also answer the questions pertaining to the religion, science and culture of each civilization. (extra Credit)  \_\_\_\_\_3. You will answer the following question in paragraph form:  a. Which of the 3 civilizations would you have wanted to live in? Give at least two reasons why. |

**Begin your webquest by using the links below to answer the questions and complete the tasks.**

**Begin your webquest here...**



1. **Geography:** On the map provided…
   * Identify where the Incan, Mayan, and Aztec civilizations were located. Label them on the map!

* + - <http://www.classzone.com/net_explorations/U4/U4_article1.cfm>

1. **Religions:** 
   * Were these empires polytheistic or monotheistic?
     + Name at least TWO gods from each civilization. What they were the god of?

<http://mayaincaaztec.com/religion.html>

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* + - * Aztec-

* + - * Maya-

* + - * Inca-
    - Explain the leadership of their religions (Who is the head of their religion, how are they selected, etc.)

**Aztecs**

<http://www.historyworld.net/wrldhis/plaintexthistories.asp?historyid=aa12>

* What was the name of the Aztec capital/main city?
* Who was the Aztec’s main god that they worshipped? What were their sun rituals?
* Who conquered the Aztecs? How was he eventually able to defeat the Aztecs?

<http://knowledgenuts.com/2013/10/22/the-difference-between-the-aztec-maya-inca-and-olmec/>

* Compare and Contrast the three civilizations.

* + **Aztec Calendar-** [**http://aztec.com/page.php?page=calendar**](http://aztec.com/page.php?page=calendar)
* How many calendars did the Aztecs have?
* How is their calendar alike and different from ours?

**Maya**

<http://www.history.com/topics/ancient-history/pyramids-in-latin-america>

<http://traveltips.usatoday.com/mayan-pyramids-1119.html>

* Why were the pyramids of the Aztec and Maya built?

* + **Calendar-**<http://www.webexhibits.org/calendars/calendar-mayan.html>
    - How many calendars did the Maya have? How accurate were they?

* + **Decline-**<http://www.history.com/topics/maya>
    - Do we know why the Maya civilization declined?
    - Do the Maya people still exist? If so, where do they live?

**Inca**

<http://www.history.com/this-day-in-history/pizarro-traps-incan-emperor-atahualpa>

* + Who was Atahualpa?

* + Who was Francisco Pizarro and how did he help bring about the end of the Incan civilization?

* + **Technology-** o Why were Inca roads so impressive? [http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/ancient/lostinca-empire.html](http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/ancient/lost-inca-empire.html)

* + - Did Incans write and keep records?

<http://archaeology.about.com/od/americanancientwriting/a/quipu.htm>

* + - What is Macchu Pichu and who “found it”?

<http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/ancient/lost-inca-empire.html>

1. **Civilizations Paragraphs:** Choose a Civilization!

Write one paragraph discussing the civilization you **would have wanted to live in**. You must use at least 2 reasons for your choice and explain with details.

