



### Previous Learning Links

Knowledge of other ancient civilizations - Egyptians

Chronological understanding of British history

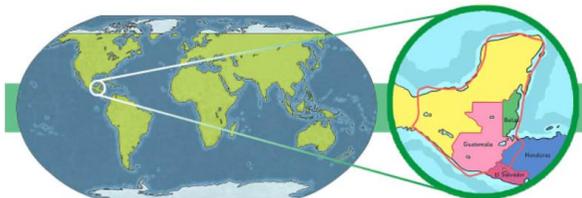
Knowledge of South America - that it is a continent, its location and climate

Knowledge of explorers linked to the Americas

Knowledge of British cities

Use of aerial maps.

### Location



### Essential Knowledge



Where and when the Maya lived

Comparison of Central America to the UK

Key features of Maya society and how it was ruled

How we can use artefacts to find more information

The importance of gods and religion to the Maya

Similarities and differences in daily life

How the Maya civilisation ended

The history of chocolate production

Local history short study - Fry's chocolate.

### Learning in Other Subjects



**English:** Narrative writing based around *The Viewer*. Discussion and journalistic writing. Mystery narrative.

**Maths:** Multiplication and division, fractions, decimals and percentages, perimeter and area, statistics, ratio, algebra.

**Science:** Animals including humans

**Computing:** 3D Modelling and market research

**REAL PE:** REAL Gymnastics

**RE:** What Would Jesus Do? Salvation.

**Heart Smart:** Don't Hold on to What is Wrong and Fake is a Mistake

**DT:** Designing healthier snack foods to fit a brief

**Art:** Exploring the art work of Daniel Fenelon

**Music:** To create simple melodies using 5 different notes and rhythms that work musically within the time signature and style of the piece

**MFL:** Weather, Seasons and months of the year



## Photos and Enrichment



When?



Useful websites to explore:

<https://www.dkfindout.com/uk/history/mayans/>

<https://kids.britannica.com/kids/article/Maya/353445>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zq6sv.cw>

[https://kids.kiddle.co/Mayan\\_civilization](https://kids.kiddle.co/Mayan_civilization)

## Talk like an Historian



Civilisation  
Political  
Hierarchy  
Archaeologist

Architecture  
Chronology  
Indigenous  
Culture

## Talk like a Geographer



Continents  
Topographical  
Countries  
Human geography  
Physical geography  
Mesoamerica  
Lowlands  
Highlands

## Talk like a Scientist



Circulation  
Blood vessels  
Capillary  
Vein  
Artery

Digestion  
Organ  
Nutrition

## Talk like an Author



Mahogany  
Recesses  
Entombed  
Adorned  
Opal

Churning  
Belching  
Intriguing  
Raucous

## Talk like a Mathematician



Ratio  
Proportion  
Percentage  
Integer  
Decimal  
Fraction

Factors  
Multiples  
Divisibility

## Quality Texts

The Curse of the Maya by Johnny Pearce

The Viewer by Shaun Tan

Rain Player by David Wisniewski

