

# Ancient Maya Construction

## Prior & Future Knowledge

In key stage 2 you will learn about;

Ancient Egypt and Greece – an ancient civilisation

The Roman Empire

Anglo-Saxons—invasion & settlement

The Vikings

Stone age to Iron age



## My Component Knowledge:

Lesson 1: I can explore where and when the remains of the Mayan civilisation were discovered and look at artefacts to understand how they developed over time.

Lesson 2: I can explain the structure and organisation of the Mayan civilisation.

Lesson 3: I can explain the religion and beliefs of the Mayan civilisation.

Lesson 4: I can explain what everyday life was like for the Mayans.

Lesson 5: I can use the Mayan calendar and number system.

Lesson 6: I know that the Mayan civilisation declined very quickly.

## My Composite Knowledge:

I know that ruins of the Mayan civilisation were found in Mesoamerica, in the middle of the rainforest. I can make links between this and my geography learning about the rainforests.

## My Powerful Knowledge:

I understand that the Mayan civilisation is an ancient civilisation and I will make links between this and other ancient civilisations that I will learn about, such as ancient Egypt and Greece.

## Key Vocabulary

Tier 1: Mesoamerica, calendar, city, God, king, ancient, astronomy, cacao, house, priest, fight

Tier 2: sacrifice, architecture, abandoned, monument, pyramid

Tier 3: Temple, Pok-ta-Pok, Chichen Itza, civilisation, codices, stelae,



Who first  
discovered  
the Mayan  
ruins?

What was  
daily life  
like for a  
Mayan?



A Mayan earthenware vase.

