

Democracy

Look at the justice and laws of Mayan civilization.

Role play someone breaking a law and the council deciding how they should be punished

Trade

What did the Mayans trade? Look at different items that they have traded and discuss difference with how we trade today? E.G using money compared with trading valuable goods like the Mayans.

Look at the Mayan trade route to infer who they traded with and what was traded

Monarchy

Understand how Mayans ruled and selected their monarchy

Each city-state was ruled by a king. The Maya believed that their king was given the right to rule by the gods. Look at other important members who supported the monarch e.g priests

Conifers



Vocabulary

Civilisation
City-State
Conquer
Architecture

Empire

Use different images such as carvings and architecture to infer what Mayan civilisation was like. Discuss how advanced the civilisation was with writing etc

Look at a Mayan Timeline and key events that have taken place. Discuss and understand the significance of crossing BC to AD



Magnificent Mayans

What made the Mayans influential?

Significant People & Events

Lady K'awli is known as the only woman leader in Mayan civilisation.

Show children carvings of Mayan leaders and discuss one who was a fierce warrior and built a road so her armies could conquer more land. Ask children to draw and label what they think the leader looks like.

Settlement

Look at the different city states of the Maya civilization and discuss key characteristics that some had e.g Kaminaljuyu was a major trade state