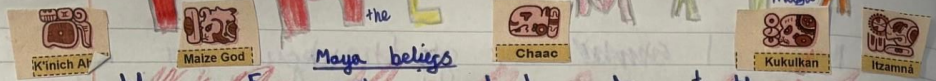




Recognition assembly – Years 4, 5 & 6
11th March 2026

THE MAYA



Maya beliefs
 The 5 most important gods to the Maya were the Maize god, Itzamna, Kinich Ahau and Kukulcan and Chaac. Sacrifice is when you are killed as an offering to the gods. When you die you either went to heaven or hell (Sibalba) there were 9 levels of heaven and 13 levels of hell/Sibalba. The three ways you could be sacrificed were being tied up and pushed down the steps of a temple, getting your head chopped off or getting your heart cut out.

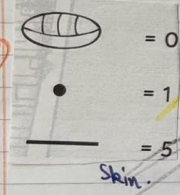
Maya daily life

The Maya lived in huts made from wattle and daub mud, hay, leaves and sticks. They also built their temples these were important to count the days of the year. A Maya diet consisted of chili peppers, maize (corn), cacao, squash and beans.



Maya legacy

The legacy of the Maya is their counting system and their invention of the hieroglyphs. A codice/coder is the Maya version of a book it was coded in zigzag and the writing was in hieroglyphs. They were made from fig trees and jaguar skin. Can you guess this? $\equiv \times \equiv ?$



Jade was very important to the Maya they used it for jewelry and masks.

54 = 1000000

MAYA

Settlements and end of civilisation

The classic period/peak of the Maya was from 150 ce - 900 ce. They started to decline because of the impact of drought, overpopulation and then the invasion of the Spanish conquistadores. We have not been able to find all the settlements because they have been covered and buried by jungle.

Artifacts and Sources

There are only 4 codices that have been discovered this is because the Spanish burned most of them when they invaded. An atlatl was used to extend your arm and therefore throw the javelin further. The Ixcacao god was the cocoa god. Cacao was very important to the Maya as they used it for medicine and it was only drunk by very rich Maya. When you got to 52 years old they would give you a flask of what we know call "hot chocolate".



... Another fun fact?

Sure just lift their flap!

MAYA



Year 4

The Rainforest Biome

23.26



Monkeys, bats, birds and butterflies live up high in the emergent layer. There is lots of space to swing from tree to tree but it's also very windy.



Tree frogs, sloths and iguanas all live in the canopy layer where there isn't much space. Branches are close and it is very noisy. 80% of animals live in the canopy layer.



The trees that live here are small with big leaves. Frogs, snakes and fruit bats live here.



Little plants can grow on the forest floor but loads of animals live here. Some animals that live here are armadillos, scorpions and jaguars.



- 1 What are the features of a tropical rainforest? What is the tallest layer of the rainforest called?
- 2 Which layer of the rainforest do most of the animals live?
- 3 Why do you think animals such as monkeys and birds live on the emergent layer?
- 4 Why do you think very little light reaches the understory layer and the forest floor? What might the conditions be like down there because of the lack of sunlight?

Key words:

emergent layer
canopy layer
understory layer
forest floor
tropical rainforest

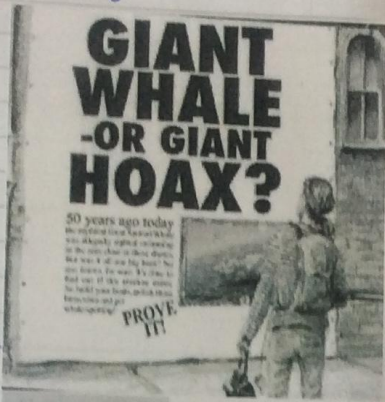
- 1 ~~There~~ Forest floor, the understory, canopy and Emergent. Emergent is the tallest.
- 2 Canopy.
- 3 Because there is lots of space.
- 4 Because other layers block the sun. colder than other layers but still hot.

Year 5

Poster challenge 09.03.2026

1.

- long, dishevelled hair - greasy
- jeans - ancient, lolly, stained, dirty, torn
- backpack
- binoculars - treasured, cracked - Grandma Edith?
- top



2.

- Is this real?
- Should I get involved?
- Am I dreaming?
- Is this a trick?

dishevelled
intrepid
undaunted

3.

- who was an adventurer.
- who had the ocean pumping through her veins.
- who loved to explore.

Livy stood silently and pondered the question that was scrawled on the wall. Dishevelled, greasy hair scraped back into a tight, knotted ponytail. Lolly, ancient jeans stained with her teen breakfast, treasured binoculars held in her sweaty palm, with cracks of adventures around running through them. She was ready for adventure as it always came her way. Is somebody tricking me? Should I participate? Is this all a dream? All her questions raced through her head & head. Livy was determined to find out if the mythical creature was real - who was determined had the ocean pumping through her veins. was determined to find out if the mythical creature was real.

Solar system 10/3/2026

The Earth orbits the Sun, which means it follows a repeated, curved path.
The solar system includes ~~the~~ planets and the Sun.

The Sun is a star.
There are 8 planets. They are the Sun, Earth, Jupiter, Mars, Uranus, Mercury, Venus and Neptune.

It takes 24 hours for a full rotation.

It is a ball of gas called a star.

Use the diagram and the key vocabulary to annotate some information about the solar system



- orbit
- gravity
- solar system
- planets
- Earth
- The Sun
- energy

The Earth...the sun, which means it....

It takes 365 days for the Earth to orbit around the Sun for 1 year.

The curved path of an object.

Year 6

VISTOR

Plot point	What happens?	Impact on the reader	Language
Jean is living on a planet which has no water. Jean has to find a way to leave this planet but they don't know how.	Planet is very deserted not much food or water. They need to leave this planet but they don't know how.	To see how they leave the planet and to be interested and want to read on.	Nothing but scorching sand and heat waves. The blazing sun fused the land.
They find water but it's just water and they're just walking.	The sun was shining as they were climbing on the rocks. Getting off into the distance and they see water in between 2 hills of rocks.	excited excited suddenly across sand	Sun was shimmering and it was very hot.
They find a cave which has water in it.	They have been walking for ages and then they walk onto a flat area & they get their tent out.	Worried Sympathy	They were almost sure to before they go into the tent they think the water from the lake.
Lizzy is very ill and she's going to die. So Jean makes her.	Lizzy is very ill and she's going to die. So Jean makes her.	Sad hesitant angry	Lizzy's temperature was hotter than the sun.
Lizzy gives up and accepts her fate.	Jean gets on without her. It's a great first time. The book the reader will like. Jean builds a ship with her friend's help.	happy astonished	She flew across space on the ship. She had a beautiful planet was on the way.

How long does it take?

description of things

show what the characters are thinking

Year 6

Fraction and percentage of amount problems

1. $10\% = 40$
 $5\% = 20$
 $55\% = 110$

Fat Jack spends £140

2. $1,000,000 \div 5 = 200,000$
 $\frac{1}{5} = 200,000$

There was approximately 200,000 people aged over 60.

3. $276 \div 3 = 92$
 $\cdot 92$
 $3 \overline{) 276}$
 $92 \times 3 = 276$

Amina has 92 pages left.

4. $90 - 5 = 85$
 $\frac{9}{5} \overline{) 45}$
 ~~$45 \div 5 = 9$~~
 $90 - 54 = 36$
 $120 \div 6 = 20$
 $20 \times 5 = 100$
 $120 - 100 = 20$
 $20 + 64 = 84$

There are 84 books left.

5.