

**Key questions:**

Who were the Maya and where were they from?

What was life like as a Mayan?

How can we find out about the Maya?

Where did the Mayans live?

How did religion and beliefs impact Mayan life?

**Key vocabulary:**

architecture	civilisation	conquistador
astronomy	calendar	glyph
invasion	vegetation	disappear
invent	reign	develop
investigate	precious	

**Science Vocabulary**

Emergent layer	Canopy layer	Understory layer
Forest floor	biome	climate
deforestation	ecosystems	endangered
habitat	indigenous	interdependent
Tropic of Cancer	Tropic of Capricorn	

## The Maya

### What makes a civilisation?

**Learning events:**

- Architecture workshops – Mayan temples (TBC)
- Mayan Day (sports) (TBC)

**Cross-curricular links:**

**Maths:** Number (fractions, decimals)

**Science:** All living things

**English:** Narrative, letters, explanation, performance poetry, recounts, newspapers

**Geography:** The Amazon rainforest

**History:** The history of The Amazon

**Art:** Henri Rosseau

**DT:** Molas

**ICT:** E safety, Programming