

# CONTENT

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Fill in the circle before the correct answer.

1. Most early civilizations first began to develop when \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a farmers grew a surplus of food
  - b peoples stopped warring with their neighbors
  - c builders learned how to make tall monuments
  - d people created written language
  
2. The Aztec planned their capital city to honor \_\_\_\_\_.
 

<input type="radio"/> a their ancestors	<input type="radio"/> c their priests
<input type="radio"/> b the Maya	<input type="radio"/> d the sun and their gods
  
3. Which part of the United States was once populated by the Mound Builders?
 

<input type="radio"/> a Northeast	<input type="radio"/> c Pacific Coast
<input type="radio"/> b along the Mississippi	<input type="radio"/> d Southwest
  
4. The first piles of earth built by the Mound Builders were made to \_\_\_\_\_.
 

<input type="radio"/> a store valuable objects	<input type="radio"/> c bury the dead
<input type="radio"/> b celebrate religious events	<input type="radio"/> d grow crops
  
5. Archaeologists have discovered many Anasazi artifacts because \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a the Anasazi were better craftsmen than other early Americans
  - b the Anasazi buried many of their artifacts in damp clay
  - c the arid climate helped preserve their objects
  - d the Anasazi still live in most of their ancient villages

Write the name of the people from the box that each sentence describes.

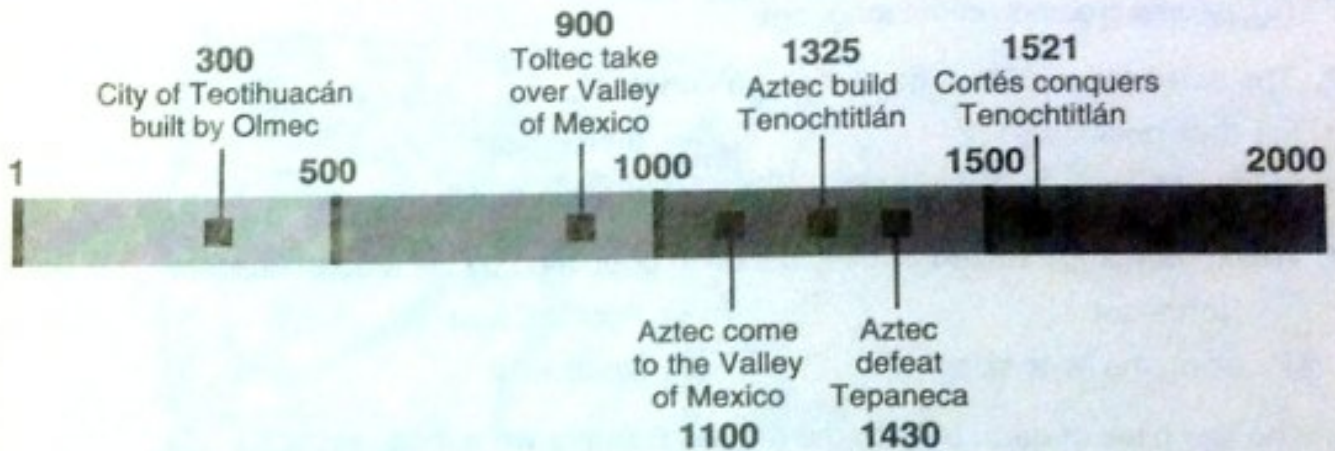
Maya	Aztec	Anasazi
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6. They invented the idea of the number zero. \_\_\_\_\_
7. They built high-rise apartment-style villages beneath cliffs and on mesas. \_\_\_\_\_
8. Beginning about 1100, they moved to what is now Mexico. \_\_\_\_\_
9. Their cities were mysteriously abandoned after 909. \_\_\_\_\_
10. They built floating gardens at Tenochtitlán. \_\_\_\_\_

# SKILLS

In ancient times the Valley of Mexico was home to several different peoples, including the Olmec, Toltec, and Aztec. The time line below shows some of the events that occurred in Mexico up to the arrival of Spanish conquerors. Use the time line to answer the questions. Write your answers on the lines.

## Ancient Mexico

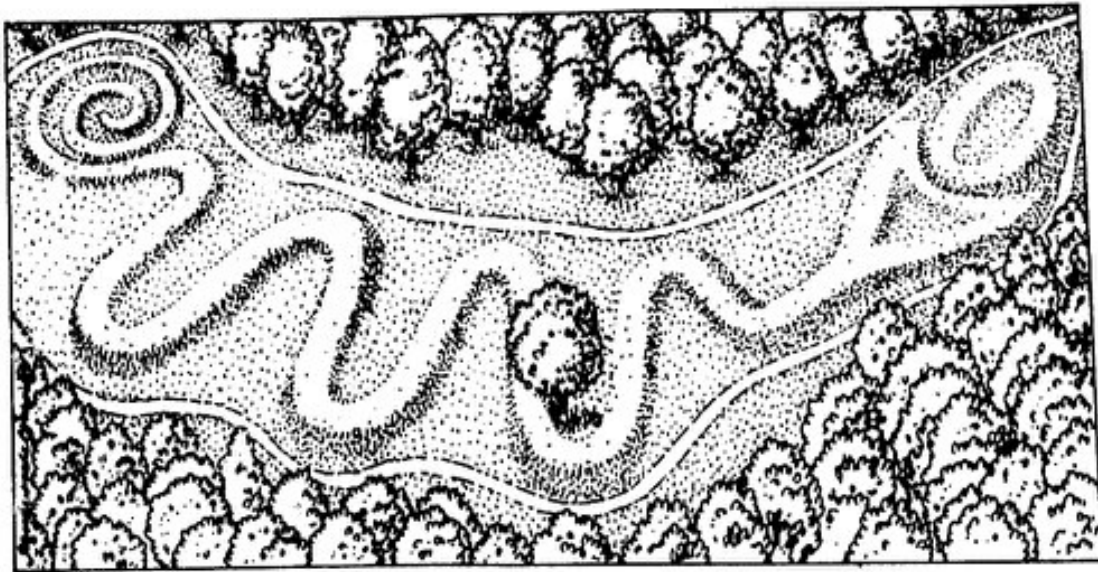


1. When did the Olmec build the city of Teotihuacán? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Who took over the Valley of Mexico in 900? \_\_\_\_\_
3. When did the Aztec move into the Valley of Mexico? \_\_\_\_\_
4. When did the Aztec defeat the Tepaneca? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Who conquered Tenochtitlán in 1521? \_\_\_\_\_

# WRITING

Write a short paragraph to answer each question. If you need more room, continue writing on the back of this page.

1. The picture below shows a famous mound left by the Mound Builders. It was discovered in Ohio. What are some of the other discoveries archaeologists have made that have taught us about the ancient peoples of the Western Hemisphere?



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2. What are some of the remaining archaeological mysteries about the ancient peoples of the Western Hemisphere?

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