

Mayan & Aztec Murals

Mexico's history has shaped its culture in many ways. The ancient Mayan and Aztec cultures contributed to Latin America's culture with many accomplishments.

Mayan Accomplishments(300-900 A.D.)

- Built great cities (Copan & Tikal)
- Productive farmers (Maize, beans, squash, peppers, avocados)
- Studied astronomy
- Designed an accurate calendar
- Developed a system of writing using symbols & signs (hieroglyphics)
- Developed a number system that is similar to the decimal system

Aztec Accomplishments

- Built a magnificent city in the middle of a swampy lake (Techochtitlan)
- Forced people that they conquered to pay them tribute – became very rich
- Class Society
- Craft workers created jewelry, garments, pottery, & sculptures
- Aztec doctors made over 1,000 medicines from plants
- Aztec astronomers predicted eclipses and the movement of planets
- Kept records using hieroglyphics

Your task is to design a mural comparing the accomplishments of the Aztecs and Mayans. The mural should be colorful, use the entire sheet of paper, include each of the accomplishments listed above in a creative way, and, as always, be your neatest work!.