

Name(s) _____

Ancient Civilizations Project

[Inuits](#)

[Aztecs](#)

[Totem Pole People's of the Northwest](#)

[Maya](#)

[Anasazi/Pueblo](#)

[Inca](#)

Civilization being researched: _____

Click the appropriate civilization above to find answers to the following questions.

1. **History/ Dates on Timeline:** Use the Draw portion of AppleWorks to create a timeline of this civilization. Include beginning and end dates and all important events in the history of this civilization. Place this timeline as the final page of this document.
2. **Geography/Environment:** Describe the environment where your civilization lived. Why might these people have chosen the sites they did to establish their civilization? What natural resources, landforms, etc. were present that would have made this a desirable place to live?
3. **Architecture/Forms of Housing/ Shelter:** Is there anything special or characteristic about the architecture of this civilization? Was there a plan or organization to their cities? How did the location affect the materials used and design of their shelters and layout of their cities? What resources needed to build their structures were abundant or available where they settled?
4. **Lifestyle/ Ways of Making a Living:** What was the lifestyle or way of making a living in this civilization? Were these people primarily farmers, hunters, gatherers, etc.? Were there craftspeople, artisans, marketplace keepers in this society?
5. **Roles of Men, Women, Children:** Were there defined roles and expectations for men, women, children in this civilization? Did children go to school?
6. **Use of Animals:** What kinds of animals were around and how were they used? Were any domesticated? Did these people have pets?

7. **Clothing/ Styles of Dress:** What did these people wear? What materials were used for their clothes? Did they use distinctive colors or designs? Did they wear jewelry or special headdresses or ornaments?
8. **Language/ Forms of Communication:** Did these people have a written language? Did they have a number system? If so, describe them?
9. **Food/ Customary Meals/ Culinary Rituals:** What were the staples of these people's diets? Were they vegetarians or did they eat a lot of meat? Did they have any special uses for foods? Did they include foods in any ceremonies? Can you find any recipes?
10. **Religion/ Mythology/ Heroes and Heroines:** What did these people believe in? Did they have a single god or many gods that they worshipped? What was their relationship to their god(s)? (love, fear, guilt, reverence, etc.) What kinds of myths did they tell to explain the world or origins of things? Who were their heroes or heroines? What were the characteristics of these heroes or heroines that made them admirable to these people?
11. **Arts/ Music:** Did these people leave artwork of any kind: paintings, sculpture, crafts, artifacts? What kinds of images did they employ in their artwork? Did they have musical instruments? What does their art tell us about them?
12. **Inventions/ Science/ Technology:** How technologically advanced were these people? Did they invent anything special or have particular scientific theories?
13. **Recreation:** Did these people have leisure time? What did they do for fun or entertainment?

14. **Customs and Traditions:** Did these people have any customs of interest?

15. **Type of Government/ Leaders:** How was this society organized? What kinds of leaders/governance did they have? (kings and queens, councils of elders, democratic groups, ruling class or class of priests, social classes, etc.) How did their leaders come to power? Did they have a body of laws that they followed?

16. **Other Claims to Fame:** Is there anything of interest to you about these people that hasn't already been presented?