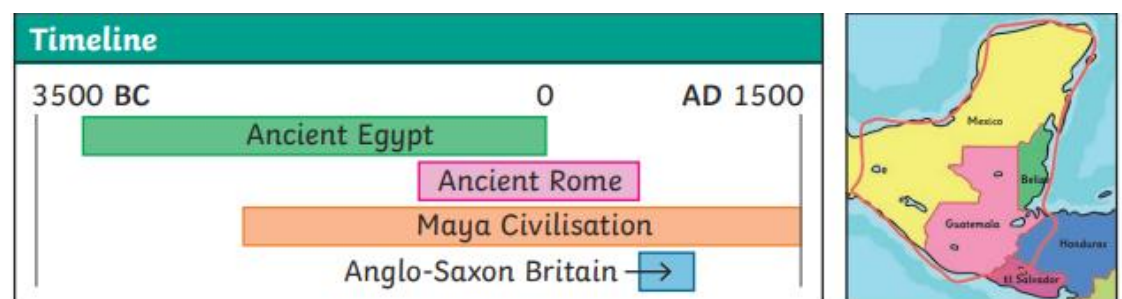


43AD Romans invade Britain
400AD Romans leave Britain

600AD Anglo Saxons
take over Britain

866AD Vikings capture Jorvik
886AD K Alfred defeats Vikings

Vocabulary	
Calendar	A printed table showing all the days, weeks and months of the year
Dynasty	A series of rulers or leaders who are all from the same family, or a period when the country is ruled by them.
Empire	A group of countries ruled by a single person or government or country.
Maize	Maize, also known as corn, is a cereal grain.
Mesoamerica	The region in which the Maya lived spanning over what is now Mexico and parts of central America.
Sacrifice	The slaughtering of an animal or human as an offering to please the Gods.
Temple	A building used for the worship of a god or gods in some religions.
Tomb	A large stone structure or underground room where an important person is buried.



The Maya civilisation began long ago in a place called '**Mesoamerica**'. This huge area is made up of Mexico and part of Central America.

The Mayas built amazing cities like **Tikal** (which they called 'Yax Mutal') and **Palenque**. Even though they lived in different cities, ruled by different kings and queens, the Mayas shared a lot of common beliefs and traditions.

They were experts at reading the stars and even built their cities as a map of the sky! They were also inspired by the creatures of the forest and shared many legends about animals, plants and nature spirits

Key question	Learning Behaviour	Key knowledge		Key Skills		Teacher comments.
When did the Mayans live?	Inquisitive	The region in which the Maya lived spanned over what is now Mexico and parts of central America. The era starts from 1100BC when the first Mayan settlement appeared in Mesoamerica to 1500 AD when Mayan ruins were discovered by the Spanish. This time takes us from the Stone age to beyond the Battle of Hastings in UK history.		Uses timelines to place and sequence historical periods. Describes events using words such as: century, decade, BC, AD, after, before, during, as well as labels given to eras such as Stone Age, Vikings etc		
What was daily life like in a Mayan society?	Respectful	Wealthy Mayans wore colourful clothing made from animal skins, they also wore feather headdresses and fancy jewellery. Farmers wore simple clothing. Mayans lived in palaces if they were royalty or huts if they were farmers.		Evaluate the usefulness of a resource for finding out information Can see how viewpoint or opinion can affect the way history is represented.		
How did the Mayans survive?	Adaptable	Know they live in a rainforest climate so they needed to keep cool. Foods such as corn and chocolate come from the Mayans. They hunted and developed farms.		Uses a range of sources and techniques to answer questions and form conclusions		
Did the Mayans influence our lives today?	Inquisitive	Know that Mayans had developed a writing system. They developed the first calendar that included 365 days. They developed a number system based on base 20 and first civilisation to include 0 in their system. Built paved roads, raised causeways and stone monuments and alters for religious sacrifices.		Asks a variety of questions to deepen their understanding.		
What happened to the Mayans?	Inquisitive	The Spanish slowly conquered the individual city-states one by one. By end of 17 th century all the major centres of power had fallen.		Can identify reasons for change between periods		
	<i>Developing</i>		<i>Secure</i>		<i>Exceeding</i>	