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La cultura Inca



Exploratory Spanish

Cultural Targets:

- 1. I can identify factual information about the Andes Mountains and the Inca civilization.
- 2. I can illustrate on a given map the countries that comprised the Inca empire.
- 3. I can explain the cultural relevance in the Inca culture of the six pictures shown in the upper and lower boxes on the front page of this packet.
- 4. I can identify the role of the guinea pig in the Inca culture and I can compare and contrast it with an item in my own culture.
- 5. I can practice expressing curiosity and wonderment as our class maintains communication with a middle school class in Otavalo, Ecuador via e-mail.

Las montañas de los Andes - The Andes Mountains¹

The Andes is the longest mountain range in the world at ______ miles long and ______ miles wide. The Andes are located in the western part of South America in a span of seven countries: ______, _____, _____, ______, Perú, ______, Chile and ______. The ______ civilization managed to establish themselves in the Peruvian Andes in the 15th century.



¹ Zimmermann, Kim Ann. "Andes: World's Longest Mountain Range." *LiveScience*, Purch, 14 Mar. 2013, www.livescience.com/27897-andes-mountains.html.

Inca Geography

Using the QR code below or a map in the Inca link above, color in the four regions of the Inca empire.



4. ______ is the great Inca leader whose name means "The reverser of the world", he is credited for much of the empire expansion and for the reorganization, urbanization and infrastructure of the empire.

El imperio Inca - The Inca Empire²

Fill in the table with the corresponding culture in the word bank, based on the descriptions given and the information found in the links.

| Wari | Wa ^{ri} Moche Tiwanaku Chavín | | | | |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|
| Pre-Inca Cultures | Time Period | Well known for | | | |
| | 800 - 200 BC | They built temples, the largest early buildings in Perú. Gifted artists of sculptures, ceramics, and textiles; skilled metal workers. | | | |
| | 1 - 700 AD Masters of metal works, pottery a textiles. It was an urban civilization that h lot in common with the Inca, each town had one ruler or lord. | | | | |
| | 600 - 1000 AD | Weavery of geometric patterns. They consolidated urban cities, built roads to connect cities. | | | |
| | 600 - 1000 AD | Built stone cities, the Inca inherited their building techniques, it is believed. | | | |
| | TIME PERIOD | WELL KNOWN FOR | | | |
| <u>THE INCA</u> <u>CIVILIZATION</u> | | | | | |

² Cartwright, Mark. "Inca Civilization." *Ancient History Encyclopedia*. Ancient History Encyclopedia, 15 Sep 2014. Web. 27 Aug 2017.

Machu Picchu: The Old Peak

Machu Picchu is a great _____ and ____ Inca centers that the Spanish conquistadores never found. The American archaeologist, ______ found Machu Picchu in ______. Additionally, there is plenty of evidence that points at Machu Picchu being an important ______ In 2007, Machu Picchu was designated as ______

______ of the modern world. It is the most visited place in South America as well.





REFLECTION #1:

Think, gather, discuss, share:

Get together with two others and be prepared to share your views on the following question.

The Inca culture rose and developed with no use of the wheel, iron tools and no writing system. How do we know that what we know about them is accurate? Jot down your ideas here:

| El Cuy The Guinea Pig in the Inca and Andean Cultures | C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C |
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I. El Cuy was domesticated by the pre-Inca cultures. Cuys served two main purposes in the Inca society:

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II. Cuys provide great nutritional value compared to other common meats:

| | cuy | beef | pork |
|---------|-----|------|------|
| Protein | | | |
| Fats | | | |

III. Besides the great nutritional value, cuys are becoming quite popular to raise in

countries like _____ and _____ because:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

III. Cultural Connections: watch these short videos and prepare to share what the videos show us about the importance of the Cuy in the communities of Ecuador and Perú.

<u>Guinea Pigs in Ecuador</u> <u>Guinea Pigs in Perú</u>

Inca Religion and Cosmology

| The Inca civilization had a god creator which they called |
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| The Inca cosmological view of the universe was that a natural community existed in |
| three planes or "pachas". These planes were: |

- 1. _____ pacha or the world above, represented by _____.
- 2. _____ pacha or the world here and now, represented by _____.
- 3. _____ pacha or the underworld, represented by _____.

According to Inca belief, a duality of forces (male and female) in the cosmos brought balance and harmony. There was communication, transformation and reciprocity among the worlds they perceived.

| Represented by: | Three worlds | Inca god creator: | |
|-----------------|--------------|-----------------------|-----------|
| | Hanan | Sun god: | Moon god: |
| | Kai | earth: | sea: |
| | | male | female |
| | Uku | world of the departed | |

The symbol below is called ______, this is where the Inca represented their view of the universe in three worlds:



The Great Inca Road: Qhapaq Ñan

The Inca used the work laid up before them by some of the pre-Inca civilizations like the Wari, Tiwanaku and the Chimu to connect their entire empire. This road system stretched through the empire for about ______ miles. Not only was it the longest road system of the 1500s, but it was the best ______.



A complex and sophisticated system, the Qhapaq Ñan connected the three natural geographic regions of the empire: ______, _____, and _____.

Amazingly, this road was used special people: the Inca ruler, soldiers on military duty, llama caravans carrying goods like ______, _____ and cotton. Additionally, a special group of runners were allowed to use the road, these runners were called ______. These young men would train diligently to do their work well. They would run in relay race style of distances of about ______ miles, they would carry official messages for the emperor, ______, raw materials, and _______ information registered in khipus, since the Inca did not develop a writing system.

Chaski teams of 25 could cover a distance of _____ miles in one week.

REFLECTION #2:

Unfortunately, many Europeans had the idea that the natives of the Americas were underdeveloped, ignorant, and even savages. How would you argue against that mindset, considering what you know about the Inca ways and lifestyle?

□ From what you have learned on the Inca Civilization, what one quality would you choose to explain what makes them extraordinary?