

Sonning Church of England Primary School



Learning Module:
 Mayan Civilisations
 ‘How can we explain the rise and fall of the ancient Maya empire?’

Pupil outcomes as a result of this module

<p><u>Knowledge</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Define the terms ‘decline’, ‘fall’, ‘collapse’, ‘civilization’ and ‘empire’ in the context of the Maya people. • Label key areas of population in the Maya empire • Describe the key reasons that the empire declined • Recognise that the decline of the Mayan empire occurred in stages 	<p>National curriculum References</p> <p>2i/Hii/Hiii Hii Hii/Hiii Hvi</p>
<p><u>Skills</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Generate historically valid questions to support their research • Hypothesise reasons why the empire might have declined • Construct a report outlining their opinions with regard to the most compelling arguments surrounding the decline of the Mayan empire 	<p>Hiv Hiv Hiv</p>
<p><u>Understanding</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain how the causes of the fall of the empire are complex and interrelated • Interpret different primary and secondary sources • Appraise and evaluate their hypotheses in the light of discussion and examination of evidence • Understand the historical concept of continuity and change, cause and consequence with regard to the decline of the Mayan empire 	<p>Hiv Hv Hiv</p>

‘Building Strong Foundations for the Years Ahead’