Year 5: The Maya

Subject	Specific Vocabulary	Information	Important Knowledge
reliable	Trustworthy information.		☐ I can place the Maya civilisation on a timeline.
society	People living together in a more or less ordered community.		☐ I know about Maya cities in the classic
Mayan	A large family of languages spoken in central America and Mexico of which the chief members are Maya, Quiché and Tzeital.		period. I know the part that religion played in Maya life.
creation	The action or process of bringing something into existence.		☐ I know about Maya Gods. ☐ I can use evidence to
hierarchy	A system in which members of an organisation or society are ranked according to status or authority.		draw conclusions. I know the Maya had a numerical system.
significance	The meaning to be found in words or events.	Maya Gods and Goddesses Itzamna - the creator od.	☐ I know about Maya ball games.
agriculture	The way people grow plants and keep animals for food.	Chaac - the rain god. Yum Kaax - the nature god.	☐ I know significant achievements of the
kingdom	A country, state, or territory ruled by a king or queen.	Hunab Ku - the one god. Ix Chel - the goddess of medicine	Maya. □ I know reasons that contributed to the
religion	The belief in and worship of a controlling power, especially a personal God or gods.	and childbirth. Kinich Ahau - the sun god. Ek Chuaj - merchant deity and	decline of the Maya civilisation around 900AD.
ritual	Something people do in a special way, often as part of a tradition or ceremony.	god of cacao. Kukulkan - the serpent god.	