

# Time Line – Ancient Maya

**Place the following events in order on a time line. You may choose to use an online timeline generator or complete it by hand. Include at least 3 images to support events on the time line.**

- 400 BC**      The first Mayan calendars are carved into stone.
- 2000 BC**      Farming villages begin to form across the Maya region.
- 600 BC**      The Maya begin to farm. This enables their society to support larger populations and the cities begin to grow in size.
- 100 BC**      The first pyramids are built.
- 1250 AD**      After declining for years, Chichen Itza is abandoned.
- 400 AD**      The city-state of Teotihuacan becomes the dominant city and rules over the Maya highlands.
- 600 BC**      The settlement at Tikal is formed.
- 900 AD**      The southern lowland cities collapse and Teotihuacan is abandoned. The reason for the collapse of the Maya Classic period is still a mystery to archeologists. This signals the end of the Classic period.
- 700 BC**      Mayan writing first starts to develop.
- 300 BC**      The Maya adopt the idea of a monarchy for their government. They are now ruled by kings.
- 925 AD**      The city-state of Chichen Itza becomes the most powerful city-state in the region. It will rule for the next two hundred years.
- 1000 BC**      The Maya begin to form larger settlements at places like Copan and Chalchuapa.