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Yo Puedo #1, The Aztecs A

A. Aztec words - There are 5 Aztec words (Nahuatl words) used as examples in the reading. Find a picture of each of those words and paste them below. Make sure you shrink them to fit and also label them with the word from the reading.

B. Write the two ways to spell "Montezuma 1: greatest emperor" who ruled from 1440 - 1468/9.

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C. Name the four main social classes in Aztec society and what they did/were known for.

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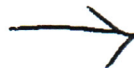
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## Aztec Cosmos: An Introduction (2 pages)

Write **V** in the blank if the sentence is true or write **F** in the blank if the sentence is false. If you write T for true, your answer will be marked wrong.

- \_\_\_ 1. On September 17<sup>th</sup>, 1790, workers found a huge monolith buried near what was once a corner of the ceremonial center of Tenochtitlan.
- \_\_\_ 2. While many Indians came to accept the new religion brought by the Spanish, the old rituals and beliefs were very easily erased.
- \_\_\_ 3. The Aztec Empire flourished for three centuries before Hernán Cortés conquered Mesoamerica for the Spanish in 1521.
- \_\_\_ 4. The stone was brought out and attached to one of the towers of the cathedral where it remained until 1885.
- \_\_\_ 5. The glyph of a star, drawn as an eye, appears many times.
- \_\_\_ 6. This stone is commonly known as the Aztec Calendar.
- \_\_\_ 7. The Aztecs used pictographs to represent or express an idea.
- \_\_\_ 8. The stone was carved with symbols depicting the Aztec universe.
- \_\_\_ 9. Quetzalcoátl was the Aztec god of powerful natural forces.
- \_\_\_ 10. The Aztecs settled on a swampy island which they named after their semi-legendary priest and leader.
- \_\_\_ 11. The stone survived the destruction of Tenochtitlan with no damage at all.
- \_\_\_ 12. There are seven glyphs that are important to the understanding of the Aztec cosmos.
- \_\_\_ 13. The glyph for light, which combines an eye glyph on a lizard appears many times.
- \_\_\_ 14. There are many glyphs that are more difficult to translate as they are abstract concepts.
- \_\_\_ 15. Fray Diego de Durán ordered the stone buried in 1559.
- \_\_\_ 16. Tláloc was their ancient rain god.
- \_\_\_ 17. On this island, the Aztecs raised a giant pyramid on which stood twin temples.
- \_\_\_ 18. The stone was a way for the Aztecs to depict the great and venerable mechanism of the universe.



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- \_\_\_ 19. This god, Huitzilopochtli, was their founding god and their god of war.
- \_\_\_ 20. The stone is currently located in Chapultepec Park, Mexico City.
- \_\_\_ 21. Fray Diego de Dúran ordered it to be buried because preparations for a New Fire Celebration by the un-christianized Indians had begun.
- \_\_\_ 22. This stone has been the most studied and written about single example of Mesoamerican art.
- \_\_\_ 23. The light glyph has several meanings, one being "sacrifice".
- \_\_\_ 24. The Aztecs did have an alphabet (as we know it).
- \_\_\_ 25. Quetzalcoátl was an ancient god worshipped for centuries in Mesoamerica.