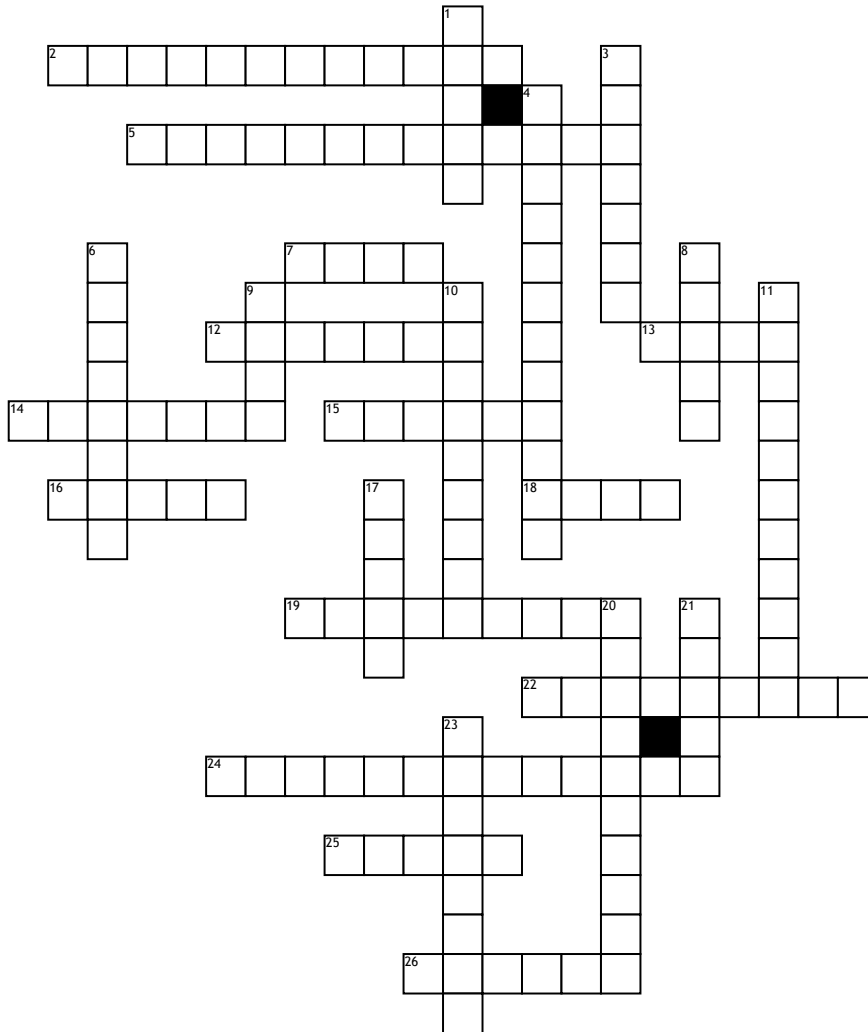


# Early Americas- Mesoamericans



**Across**

- 2. Aztec capital established in 1325 AD
- 5. Spanish soldiers
- 7. What Cortes really wanted from the Aztecs
- 12. In 1537 this conquistador conquered the Inca Empire.
- 13. This group began to build large cities in the Americas in 200AD
- 14. The language of the Inca
- 15. In 1519 AD this Spanish conquistador arrived in Mexico.
- 16. Food source of all mesoamerican groups
- 18. This empire dominated modern day Chile, along the western coast of South America

- 19. Aztecs created floating gardens called
- 22. In 1440 this emperor began to expand the Inca Empire. Refer to timeline p.465
- 24. Buildings used to study astronomy
- 25. Mountain range near Inca Empire
- 26. Inca knotted cord/rope records

- Down**
- 1. This Mayan king constructed temples to record his achievements
  - 3. Inca's were master builders and well known for their expert \_\_\_\_\_
  - 4. Mayans worshipped many gods: sun god, moon goddess- this is called
  - 6. Raised roads across water or wet ground
  - 8. Based on p.484, the Incas were amazing engineers and constructed many \_\_\_\_\_
  - 9. Inca labor tax
  - 10. Famous Aztec ruler who welcomed Hernan Cortes
  - 11. Ruins of ancient Inca city shown on page 465
  - 17. This country took over the Inca Empire and most of Mexico for 300 years
  - 20. On special occasions, to please their gods, Mayans and Aztecs made human \_\_\_\_\_
  - 21. Incas did not sacrifice humans, but instead sacrificed \_\_\_\_\_
  - 23. Major Maya city located between Maya highlands and lowlands with large temples

**Word Bank**

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|---------------|-------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| Tenochtitlan  | maize       | Cortes       | chinampas | causeway  | sacrifices |
| Moctezuma     | Pacal       | polytheistic | Pizarro   | quipus    | Inca       |
| conquistadors | MachuPicchu | gold         | Quechua   | Pachacuti | masonry    |
| Observatories | roads       | Andes        | Palenque  | llams     | mita       |
| Maya          | Spain       |              |           |           |            |