

Mayan Vocabulary List



Word	Definition
Mesoamerican	People who settled in the middle, inhabiting the southern two thirds of Mexico and northern Central America
archaic	Greek word meaning "beginning"
codex	The name for a Mayan book
glyphs	Pictures and symbols used in Mayan writing
Chac	The Mayan rain god.
Itzamna	The Mayan head god, lord of the heavens and lord of the night and day.
Kinich Ahau	The Mayan sun god.
nomadic	a member of a people or tribe that has no permanent abode but moves about from place to place, usually seasonally
Beringia	The region surrounding the Bering Strait. Part of the land bridge that connected Asia to North America.
figus	The type of tree Mayans used to make paper