

# Year 6

Summer 1 topic: How does modern life compare with that of the Ancient Maya?



<b>WORD</b>	<b>MEANING</b>
<b>Mesoamerica</b>	The name of the area in which the Maya lived. In modern times, this is southern Mexico and Central America.
<b>Climate</b>	What the weather is like generally over a long period of time
<b>Tropical zone</b>	The area around the equator that lies between the Tropics of Capricorn and Cancer
<b>Cenote</b>	A large, naturally formed hole in the ground filled with water
<b>Crop</b>	Plants grown on a large scale that are harvested to be sold or eaten
<b>Staple crop</b>	A crop that makes up the main part of the food eaten in a region or country
<b>Deforestation</b>	The deliberate clearing or cutting down of forests to make way for other land use
<b>Rainforest</b>	An area of tall, mostly evergreen trees with a high level of rainfall
<b>Slash and burn</b>	A farming method where the land is burnt to produce ash to fertilise the soil
<b>Terracing</b>	Cutting land on a slope into flat areas so that crops can be grown more easily

# Dual coding (words & images)

Mesoamerica



Cenote



Deforestation



Climate



Crop



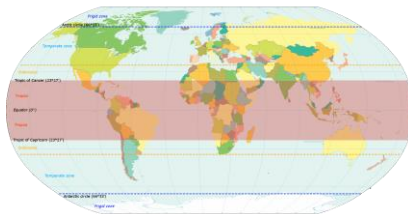
Rainforest



Slash and burn



Tropical zone



Staple crop



Terracing

