Maya Walkthru

Answer on your own paper in complete sentences. Remember to focus on the pictures, maps and charts in the book.



Timeline p. 381

- 1. What did the Maya begin doing in AD 200?
- 2. How many years after AD 200 did the Classic Age end?
- 3. What major world event happened in Europe during the Classic Age of the Maya?

Map P. 385

- 4. Explain the general location of Mesoamerica.
- 5. What is the name of the large peninsula in Mesoamerica?

Map P. 389

- 6. Which early civilization was located in Mesoamerica?
- 7. Which early civilization was located in South America?

Map P. 391

- 8. What natural features (such as mountains, deserts, rivers, forests, etc.) did trade routes tend to follow?
- 9. What two minerals were mined in the highland mountains?

History Close-Up Palenque P. 392-393

- 10. In what ways might Palenque's location have helped the city?
- 11. In what ways might the location have hurt the city?
- 12. How did they make more land usable for farming?

Picture P. 396-397

13. What clues in this pictures show that the king is an important person?

Maya Astronomy and Calendars P. 398

14. What were each of the two Maya calendars based on?

Primary Source P. 399

- 15. Who are the people in this carving?
- 16. What do you think they are doing?

Visual Summary P. 403

- 17. When did the Maya build most of their cities?
- 18. Why did the Maya civilization collapse?