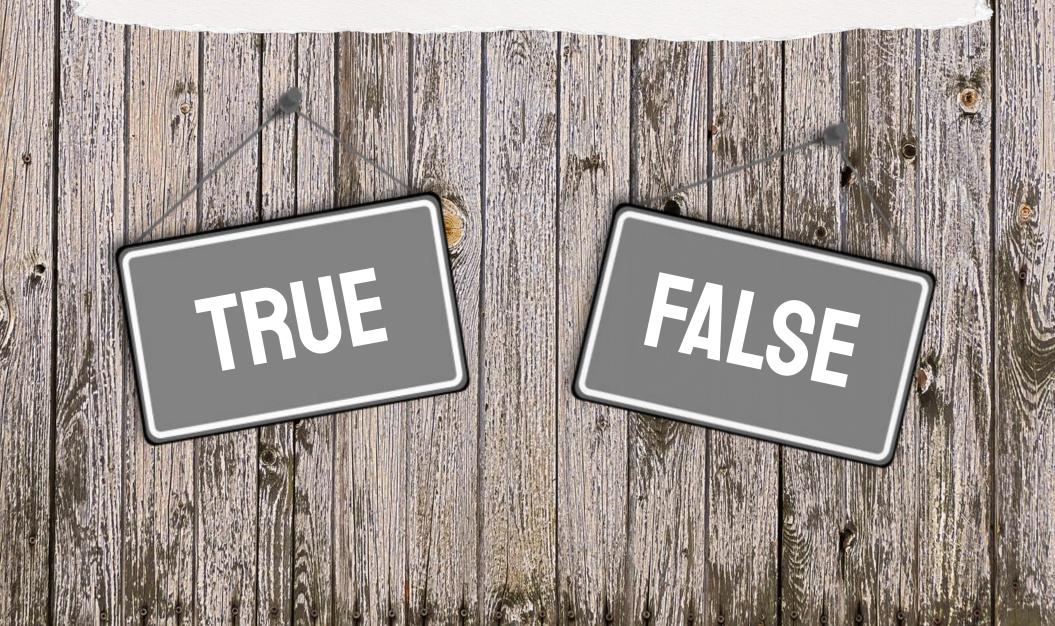


The Mayan Civilization began in 1800 BC. Although their civilizations were similar, the Maya came thousands of years before the Aztec. Some Mayans still live on the Yucatan Peninsula today. The Mayans began to develop during the Mesoamerican civilization. The Mayans occupied areas in Belize, Guatemala, the Yucatan Peninsula of Mexico and Honduras.

## The Maya came thousands of years after the Aztec.



The Maya were one of six Mesoamerican civilizations. They are known for art, architecture, hieroglyphic writing and astronomy. They believed the stars, sun and moon were gods. They noted their eclipses, solstices and equinoxes in their temples.

## The Maya were one of \_\_\_\_\_ Mesoamerican civilizations.

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The Mayan civilization consisted of a large number of city-states. Each city-state had its own government. Every city-state was ruled by a king. The king was given the right to rule by the gods.

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