

MAYAN TEMPLES

Vocabulary

Structure: An object made from several parts **Aesthetics:** The appearance of an object **Stability:** How firmly fixed a structure is. **Net:** A flattened out 3D shape. **Reinforce:** To strengthen or support an object **Design:** A plan or drawing to show how an object will look before it is built.

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The Mayans dedicated much of their architectural prowess to the construction of religious monuments, including temples. They were typically located at the centre of the city, close to palaces of royalty. The first temples were simple building but as civilisation grew they developed into large stone pyramids topped with shrines.

The structure also included staircases to the top as the Mayans believed the Gods lived in the sky.

Examples of Temples



Nets

Using nets to create cuboids of different sizes and joining them together will create the basic shape of a Mayan temple.

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