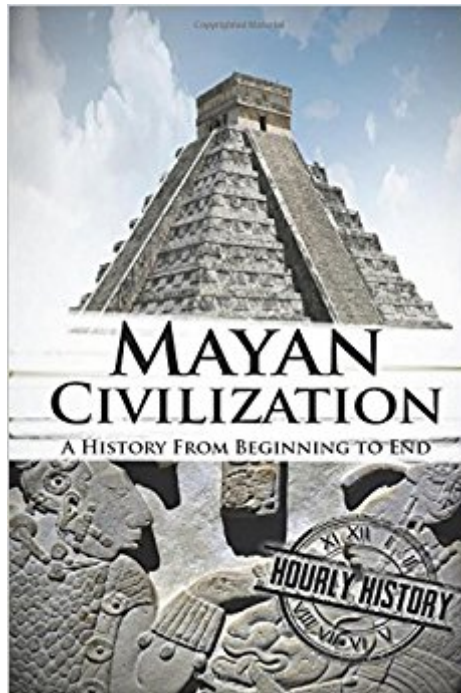




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Mayan Civilization: A History From Beginning To End



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Customer Reviews

It is difficult to focus upon the content of this book due to the barrage of spelling and grammar errors, which started on the title page where the author could not even provide the correct name of his book (title page says "Maya Civilization"). While one can usually decipher the author's meaning, reading the book is sometimes reminiscent of listening to someone whose native language is not English. "We may shed a tear from nostalgia" or "the attempts to rebuild the world of the Maya as they saw it are numerous and fascinating when connected" are two of the many examples of ultimately understandable yet slightly fractured English. Beginning with Chapter Three (Different Periods of Maya History), the editing seems to improve although the author peppers his text with a continual listing of books rather than creating an appendix. The result disturbs the flow of the information and could have easily

been avoided. The author establishes three distinct time periods, then dances from one to another and gives up the opportunity to present a cohesive picture of Mayan society at different times in history. While it is true that the author has compiled enough facts for an Hourly History book, lacking a clear direction or outline reduces the impact that could have been achieved. A careful edit and following the basic rules of grammar would have also helped. This is a three-star book at best, and two-and-a-half stars could certainly be justified.

The Mayan civilization is one of my favorite things to read about. I've always been super intrigued by the Maya and their whole society. So it's not a surprise that I ended up really enjoying this book. This was a really great book if you want to learn more about the Mayan civilization. It was informative and with 61 pages it can be read so fast. The new findings especially were very interesting to me. I also loved learning about the connection with Charles Lindbergh and Edgar Allan Poe. I didn't know that before this book. There's also so much more to learn about the Maya. If the invaders hadn't destroyed so many Mayan artifacts we'd know and understand their culture so much more. But new discoveries can always be made, of course. We can only hope. Overall, Mayan Civilization: A History From Beginning to End was another great Hourly History book that I enjoyed immensely. As usual with these books, I would highly recommend this one as well.

I would have liked more details about how they lived. Were there separate careers? Farmers, soldiers, architect, stone masons etc. How did they travel, was there currency or was everything barter? What did they eat other than maize, what was a typical meal, how often did they eat. What was the common house look like, what was the average family size? Were there marriages and were they arranged. Who enforced the rules set forth by the leaders

I enjoyed reading the e-book Mayan Civilization: A History From Beginning to End. Many of the statements by the author(s) are immediately referenced to another book or article. The article also includes various new discoveries up until April 2016. The Mayan culture was complex and many of their writings were destroyed by Catholic missionaries; therefore, many previous theories about their society have been found to be incorrect when new evidence is found. The culture was quite interesting in that they believed in 160 deities, various spirits, had various rituals, and conducted sacrifices of animals and humans. To me this book is a comprehensive introduction and guide to help a reader find more information about the Mayan civilization.

Very little detail. If you want an overview before you get involved, it will suit your needs.

the conclusion of this book did not summarize its contents. I thought the viewpoints were interesting, but a times i felt there was a lack of direction. overhaul of grammar is needed, especially inconsistent was the use of "Maya" as an adjective.

It was a good overview with sufficient detail to spark your interest to learn more. The Mayan Civilization requires extensive research and can't be placed in one book.

I bought this for my brother-in-law who was planning a trip to the area. I couldn't give it to him, because it almost seemed like a children's book. Too simplistic for an erudite traveler.

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