



## Quick Check

## Chichén Itzá

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**Instructions:** Read each question carefully and choose the best answer.

1. What is the main idea of the section "Maya Science"?
  - Ⓐ The buildings of Chichén Itzá reveal the Maya people's understanding of astronomy and the seasons.
  - Ⓑ Chichén Itzá has different styles of buildings, which reflect the changes in the city's rulers.
  - Ⓒ Chichén Itzá is located in eastern Mexico.
  - Ⓓ Over one million people visit Chichén Itzá each year.
2. Which of the following events happened last?
  - Ⓐ Chichén Itzá was built on the Yucatan Peninsula.
  - Ⓑ Explorers discovered Chichén Itzá in 1842.
  - Ⓒ Tourists in Chichén Itzá climbed the steps of El Castillo.
  - Ⓓ The city was abandoned in the 1400s.
3. Why did the author write this book?
  - Ⓐ to inform the reader about the importance of Chichén Itzá
  - Ⓑ to entertain the reader with a fictional story about Chichén Itzá
  - Ⓒ to persuade the reader that visitors to Chichén Itzá should be able to climb the steps of El Castillo
  - Ⓓ to inform the reader that Chichén Itzá is still a thriving city today

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4. Which of the following is an opinion about Chichén Itzá?

- Ⓐ Workers completed the carvings on the walls at Chichén Itzá using stone tools.
- Ⓑ Chichén Itzá is the most interesting city that the Maya people built.
- Ⓒ Maya priests led ceremonies in the temples at Chichén Itzá.
- Ⓓ Historians continue to search for the answers to many questions about Chichén Itzá.

5. Read this sentence: *Two explorers heard that an **ancient** city, built by the native Maya people, was somewhere nearby.* What does **ancient** mean?

- Ⓐ returned something to its original condition
- Ⓑ from a very long time ago
- Ⓒ buildings that are places of worship
- Ⓓ things offered as gifts

6. **Extended Response:** Explain in your own words why scientists believed the Maya people understood astronomy and the seasons.



1. **(A)** *Main Idea and Details*
2. **(C)** *Sequence Events*
3. **(A)** *Author's Purpose*
4. **(B)** *Fact or Opinion*
5. **(B)** *Vocabulary*
6. Answers will vary, but should include information from page 12 of the book.