**Facts to Know**

**Ancient Civilizations**

**Mayan**

1. The Mayan people lived in Central America.
2. They had a written language called hieroglyphics.
3. The Mayan people had a calendar with 365 days. Each month had 20 lucky days and 5 unlucky days.
4. The Mayans were expert farmers and stone masons.
5. The Mayans were very smart and had a math system with symbols for zero, one, and five.

**Aztec**

1. The Aztec people lived in what is now Mexico.
2. The Aztecs were a warrior type people.
3. The Aztecs were guided to build their city where they saw an eagle sitting on a cactus eating a snake. This image is on the present day Mexican flag.
4. The Aztecs were experts in farming and metal work.
5. Montezuma was the last king of the Aztec people. He was a harsh king. He taxed his people half of all their possessions.
6. Cortez was able to conquer king Montezuma because the Aztecs believed Cortez was the Great White God.

**Incan**

1. The Incans lived in South America.
2. The Incan Empire was very large and stretched along the Andes Mountains.
3. The Incans were expert stonemasons and weavers.
4. They built more than 10,000 miles of road.
5. Incan messengers would run from city to city, delivering news and important documents.
6. They did not have a written language.
7. To keep track of taxes and other items, the Incans used strings with knots tied in them.
8. The Llama was very important to the Incan people because the wool was used for weaving.