

Teaching English - The Incas

Read the text and put the facts below under the heading that they refer to.

The Inca Empire	Inca society	The Conquistadors	Machu Picchu

- a. 12 million people
- b. a religious place
- c. a small ethnic group
- d. an army 40,000 men
- e. an army of less than 400 men
- f. arrived in 1532
- g. brought many diseases
- h. brutal conquerors
- i. capital city Cuzco in Peru
- j. close to the Urubamba River in Peru
- k. covered an area of 2,500 miles
- I. didn't know about the wheel.
- m. discovered in 1911
- n. had no written language
- o. very good at making things

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Task 2: Your ideas - Complete the sentences so that they are true for you

- The part of the text that most surprised me was...
- I think the conquistadors were able to defeat the Inca army because...
- I think the descendants of the Inca are / aren't entitled to compensation because...
- I think the conquistadors tore down the Inca buildings and built their own because...
- I think Machu Picchu wasn't discovered by the conquistadors because...
- I think the best thing about the Inca was...
- I think the worst thing about the conquistadors was...
- I would / wouldn't like to go to Machu Picchu because...

Task 3. Vocabulary revision

Write in the number of syllables in each word and which syllable is stressed.

	syllables	stressed
existence	3	2 nd
empire		
spanned		
ethnic		
brutal		
arms		
craftsmen		
textiles		
assimilated		
set about		
looting		
plundering		
torn down		
site		
temple		
memorial		