

# 7. Chichen Itza

About 1600 years ago, the Mayan people in \_\_\_\_\_<sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_<sup>2</sup> to build a new \_\_\_\_\_<sup>3</sup>. They \_\_\_\_\_<sup>4</sup> it around water from under the ground, so they \_\_\_\_\_<sup>5</sup> the city Chichen Itza. The \_\_\_\_\_<sup>6</sup> means “the mouth of the well”.

Water \_\_\_\_\_<sup>7</sup> very \_\_\_\_\_<sup>8</sup> in this dry place. The first people in Chichen Itza built many \_\_\_\_\_<sup>9</sup> for their rain god Chaac. Later, the city grew bigger and richer. Then people \_\_\_\_\_<sup>10</sup> \_\_\_\_\_<sup>11</sup> pyramids and temples for their god Kukulkan. The most \_\_\_\_\_<sup>12</sup> pyramid is the Temple of Kukulkan.

The Mayan people liked many \_\_\_\_\_<sup>13</sup>. They played ball \_\_\_\_\_<sup>14</sup> in a courtyard that is bigger than a \_\_\_\_\_<sup>15</sup> field. The courtyard has \_\_\_\_\_<sup>16</sup> that are 12 meters high! \_\_\_\_\_<sup>17</sup> they played games for many \_\_\_\_\_<sup>18</sup>. They also loved art, \_\_\_\_\_<sup>19</sup>, and \_\_\_\_\_<sup>20</sup>. Today, people still like to watch Mayan \_\_\_\_\_<sup>21</sup>, listen to Mayan music, and look at Mayan art when they \_\_\_\_\_<sup>22</sup> Chichen Itza.

# 8. Angkor Wat.

Angkor Wat is a temple in the city of Angkor. It's in the \_\_\_\_\_<sup>0</sup> of the rainforest in Cambodia. \_\_\_\_\_<sup>1</sup> 800 years ago, this \_\_\_\_\_<sup>2</sup> stone temple was \_\_\_\_\_<sup>3</sup> for King Suryavarman II. About 50,000 \_\_\_\_\_<sup>4</sup> built the temple, and it \_\_\_\_\_<sup>5</sup> more than 37 years. They built it to look \_\_\_\_\_<sup>6</sup> the mountain where their gods \_\_\_\_\_<sup>7</sup>. There are some beautiful stone \_\_\_\_\_<sup>8</sup> on the walls.

When people \_\_\_\_\_<sup>9</sup> Angkor Wat, they put \_\_\_\_\_<sup>10</sup> around the buildings. This was to protect themselves \_\_\_\_\_<sup>11</sup> from enemies and wild \_\_\_\_\_<sup>12</sup> from the rainforest. Today, big trees grow into some of the buildings and \_\_\_\_\_<sup>13</sup> run around them.

About one \_\_\_\_\_<sup>14</sup> people lived in Angkor when it was an important city. Later, there \_\_\_\_\_<sup>15</sup> wars and other People came. Then Angkor \_\_\_\_\_<sup>16</sup> so rich or important. People \_\_\_\_\_<sup>17</sup> that it disappeared, but that \_\_\_\_\_<sup>18</sup> true. Today, there are many visitors, and they \_\_\_\_\_<sup>19</sup> Angkor Wat \_\_\_\_\_<sup>20</sup> amazing.