

Arawaks: Culture, Government and Religion

Instructions: Use the words in the box to complete the passage. Drag the words to its correct spot.

Zemis	Bohio	Beer	Cacique	Pepper Pot
Stealing	Communal	Arietos	Sea	Lucayans

The Arawaks that lived in The Bahamas were called _____; they were the first inhabitants here. They built their villages near to the _____ and their leader was called a _____. Men and women performed different duties, but they all lived as one and shared everything, this is called _____ living. In Arawakan society the highest crime is _____ punishable by death. The cacique led religious ceremonies, shared out land and food and decided on war or peace. He also had many privileges; for example, he could have more than wife and he lived in a rectangle shaped house called a _____. The Arawaks believed in life and death and worshipped idols called _____. During festivals and ceremonies, the Arawaks would sing and dance which they called _____. The Arawaks hunted, farmed, gathered, and fished. Their favorite dish was called _____ but they also ate a lot of cassava which they used to make cakes and _____.