

# MAYAN SOCIAL STRUCTURE

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KAITLIN - RULER, NOBLES, AND PRIESTS

GABBY - MERCHANTS AND ARTISANS

CALLIE - PEASANTS AND SLAVES

# RULER, NOBLES AND PRIESTS

CLAIM: IN THE MAYAN COMMUNITY, THE HIGHER CLASS NEEDED TO BE LITERATE TO OPERATE THE GOVERNMENT AND EFFECTIVELY COMMUNICATE WITH OTHER PEOPLES.

THEY:

- ARE POWERFUL FIGURES IN MAYAN HISTORY
- HAD MANY GREAT INFLUENCES ON THE LOWER CLASS
- KEPT THE MAYAN COMMUNITY RUNNING

KAITLIN



MAYAN RULER:

- RULED THE STATE WITH HELP OF ADVISORS
- DECIDED WHERE AND WHEN TO GO TO WAR
- CALLED "HALACH UINIC"
- OR "AHAW" MEANING LORD OR RULER.



MAYAN NOBLE:

- RAN THE GOVERNMENT
- LESSER LORDS WERE CALLED "BAT'AB" AND MILITARY LEADERS CALLED "NACOM".
- LED PEASANT ARMIES IN TIMES OF WAR.

KAITLIN

MAYAN PRIEST:

- MAINTAINED FAVOR WITH GODS.
- LED RITUALS, OFFERED SACRIFICES, AND FORETOLD THE FUTURE.
- TOLD PEOPLE WHEN TO PLANT, WHEN TO HARVEST, WHEN TO MARRY, AND HOW TO BEHAVE.



# MERCHANTS AND ARTISANS

GABBY

- CRAFTS AND TRADE WERE IMPORTANT TO MAYAN SOCIETY
- MERCHANTS DEALT IN BOTH SUBSTANTIAL AND LUXURY GOODS
- ITEMS MADE BY ARTISANS TRIBUTED THE GODS
- CRAFTS MADE BY ARTISANS WERE GIVEN TO MERCHANTS AND SOLD IN MARKETS



CLAIM: THE MAYAN TRADING ACCOMPLISHMENTS HELPED THEM TO BE A SUCCESSFUL EMPIRE AND MAKE ADVANCEMENTS IN MULTIPLE INDUSTRIES.

# MERCHANTS AND ARTISANS

GABBY

- MERCHANTS AND ARTISANS LIVED SIMILAR TO FARMERS, BUT SLIGHTLY EASIER
- MERCHANTS AND ARTISANS ATE SAKA FOR BREAKFAST, AND TORTILLAS WITH MEAT AND VEGETABLES FOR DINNER
- LIVED IN EXTENDED FAMILIES
- MOST OF THE DAY WAS SPENT WORKING



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# PEASANTS AND SLAVES

CALLIE

PEASANTS WORKED ALL DAY IN THE  
FIELDS GROWING AND HARVESTING  
CROPS, WHILE CARING FOR THEIR  
FAMILIES



CLAIM- PEASANTS AND SLAVES WORKED VERY HARD AND BENEFITED OTHER  
PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY.



# PEASANTS AND SLAVES

CALLIE

SOME WAYS TO BECOME A SLAVE WERE.....

- BORN INTO SLAVERY
- CHILDREN COULD BE SOLD TO BE A SLAVE
- WAR PRISONERS
- PEOPLE PUNISHED FOR CRIMES



PEASANTS AND SLAVES WORKED ALL DAY IN THE FIELD PICKING AND GROWING CROPS WHILING CARING FOR THEIR FAMILIES AND MASTERS

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