

World 04: Teotihuacan (Mexico)



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Exercise 1 | Vocabulary and Expressions (Vocabulary and Expressions)

Directions: Listen and repeat.

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Vocabulary and Expressions	Example
Avenue (Avenue)	The avenue is very crowded today. Let's take the side streets.
Peak (Peak)	The singer is at the peak of his career.
Multiethnic (Multiethnic)	The American society is truly multiethnic .
Founder (Founder)	Steve Jobs was the founder of Apple.
Speculation (Speculation)	There is some speculation that he will resign soon.
Expressive (Expressive)	The actor is very expressive !
Dedicate (Dedicate)	She has dedicated her life to helping those in need.

Exercise 2 | Dialogue (Dialogue)

Directions: Read the dialogue aloud with your teacher.

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Max and Demi have a talk about Mexico's ancient civilization city, Teotihuacan, which Demi has recently visited.

Demi : I am telling you, it was fascinating. There were many pyramids and a long **avenue**, called the Avenue of the Dead.

Max : To be honest, I don't know much about the old Mayan civilization, apart from what I've seen in the movies.

Demi : Well, at its **peak**, the city was the largest city in the Americas. It is believed that Teotihuacan was a **multiethnic** state.

Max : But who were the **founders**?

Demi : Unfortunately, that is still uncertain. There were some **speculations**, but there is no definite answer.

Max : Interesting. What else did you see and learn?

Demi : The city's name actually means "Birthplace of the Gods". Oh speaking of gods, it is believed that they **dedicated** human sacrifices to the gods above.

Max : Yes, I have heard about that. It sounds scary.

Demi : Yes. And what else...we went to the museum and we saw many interesting masks and statues and vessels, all very **expressive**!

Max : Art is definitely something I am interested in. I wish I could see those too.

Demi : I hope you go there one day!

Exercise 3 | Filling in the Blanks (Filling in the Blanks)

Directions: Fill in the blanks below to complete the sentences.

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1. I really like this actor. He is always very _____ in his roles.
2. This society can be called _____, because there are many people of different races and nationalities living here.
3. There were many _____ about how the accident occurred but no one knew the truth.
4. At the _____ of his career, he enjoyed a lot of support from the fans.
5. I _____ this song to my mother.
6. The _____ of this school was my great-grand-father.

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expressive	founder	dedicate

Exercise 4 | Free Conversation (Free Conversation)

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1. Would you like to visit the ancient city of Teotihuacan? Why or why not?
2. Is there anything about the Mayan culture that impresses you and you would like to share?
3. The Mayan people would offer sacrifices to Gods. How did your kind show their respect and appreciation to gods?
4. What are the forms of Art in your culture and history?