

What were some of the technological innovations of this society? How did they help to define the people & their culture?

One of the many technological innovations of the Mayans was their ability to regulate the patterns of the stars and planets. They developed a 365 days to a year calendar, as well as were able correctly mark the solstice every year.

Another technological innovation was their development of what we might recognize as tombstones. They developed ways and produced markings on tablets that indicated events that occurred during the lives of significant people in the society. While this didn't apply to commonfolk, it is still a technological innovation displayed for the kings.

Lastly, a technological innovation was their structures. Many of their architectual feats are respected similarly to the pyramids. The structures tend to be confusing for people to understand and decipher how they were able to create, which I believe only speak stronger to how innovative they were.

These innovations held significant cultural meaning. There were many special days on the calendar that meant actions must be done in order to please their gods. The tablets held art styles that were common within their culture, and also displayed people that were important to their culture. Lastly, their buildings held many rooms of importance, with many of them believed to be entries to the underworld or other realms. The buildings also consistently held meaning for the kings, and helped to signify their importance.