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Official Name: Republic of Guatemala

Size: 42,043 square miles

Capital: Guatemala City

There are four visible volcanoes from Guatemala City, two of which are active.

Official Language: Spanish

Other languages are represented as well, including 21 Mayan languages! Mam is one of these languages. Here are the numbers 1-10 in Mam:

One: jun

Two: ka b'a

Three: oxa

Four: chaja

Five: jwe

Six: qaq

Seven: wuq

Eight: wajxaq

Nine: b' eljaj

Ten: laj

Agricultural Products:

Guatemala produces: sugarcane, coffee, cotton, bananas, corn, beans, rice, wheat, and other fruits and vegetables.

Currency: Quetzal

Climate: Guatemala includes mountains and beaches and experiences diverse climates, depending on the elevation at the place in the country.

Population: For current information, use this website: [Population of Countries](#)

Comparing Times: To compare the time in the capital city to the time where you live, use this website: [The World Clock](#)

Sight Seeing Guide: Your student will need to research the places in order to complete the mini-book.

Basic Geography

Countries bordering Guatemala: Mexico, Belize, Honduras, and El Salvador.

The highest point in Guatemala is Volcán Tajumulco at 13,786 feet.

The longest river in Guatemala is the Motagua River at 302 miles long.

National Bird: Quetzal

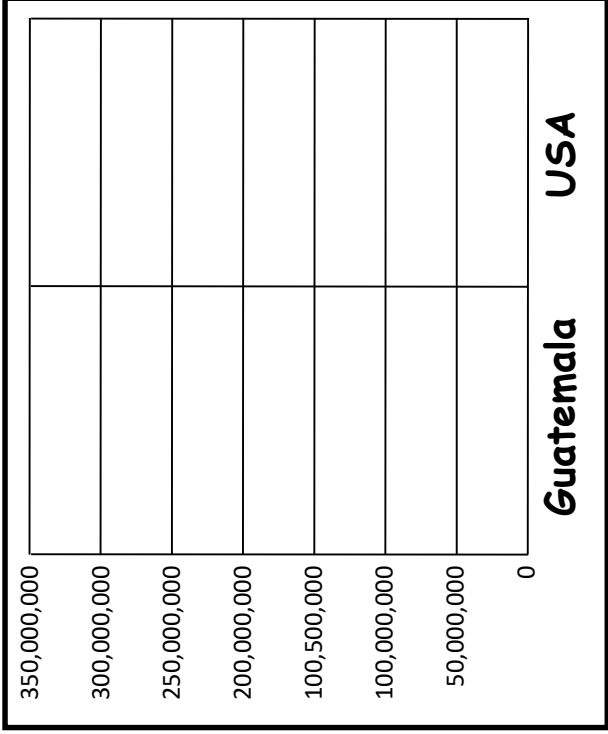
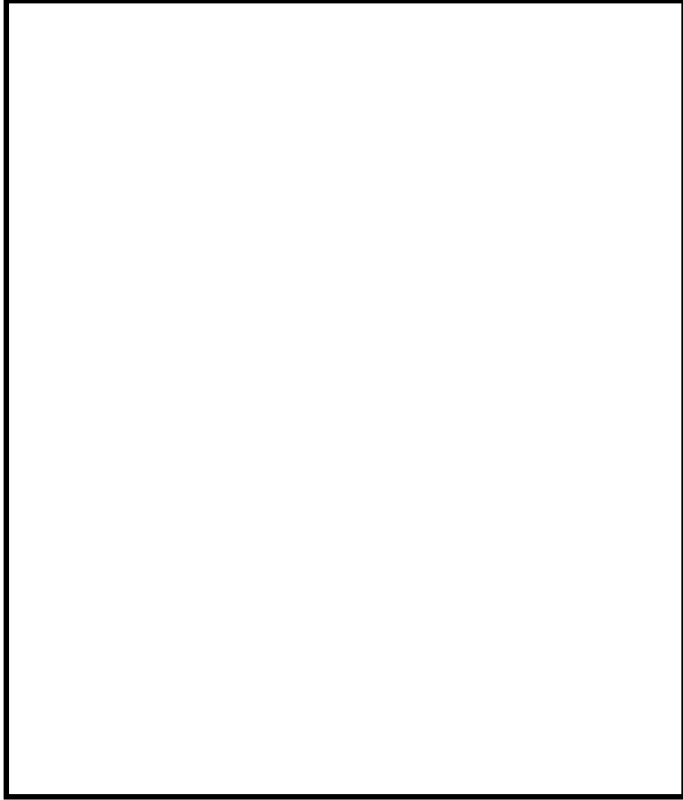
The resplendent quetzal is one of the world's most beautiful birds. Its body is 15-16 inches long and its tail is an amazing 24 inches long. It weighs 7-8 ounces.

It has an omnivorous diet, and it eats fruit, insects, and lizards.

Worry Dolls: In some parts of Guatemala, children make *Quita Pena* or worry dolls. Children tell the dolls their worries at night and put them under their pillows. In the morning, it is said that dolls have taken the worries.

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Population



Complete the graph. Cut book out as one piece. Fold in half. Paste graph to the inside of the book.

Cut book out as one piece. Fold in half. Write about Guatemala's currency inside the book.



Currency

This flag has three equal bands of light blue, white, and light blue. The coat of arms is centered in the middle of the flag. It includes a quetzal and a scroll with “September 15, 1821” written on it. This is the day Guatemala became an independent country.

Cut book out as one piece. Fold in half.
Paste flag information to the inside of the book.



Flag of Guatemala

Cut book out as one piece. Fold book in thirds. Open book and cut on dotted lines to form flaps. Record the correct answers under the flaps. Refold book.

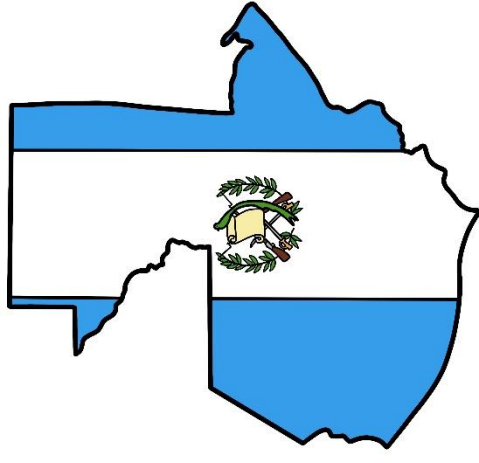
Capital City

Area
(in square miles)

Languages

Climate

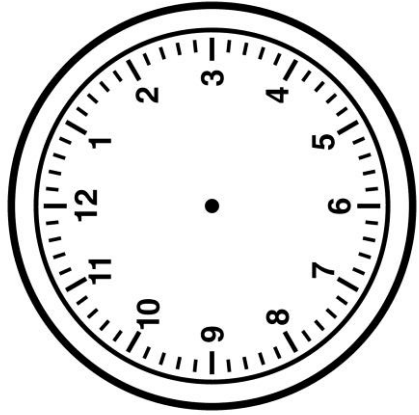
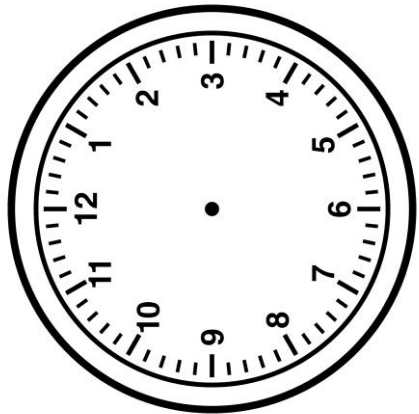
Fast Facts for Guatemala



What time
is it in _____?

What time
is it in
Guatemala
City?

Cut book out as one piece. Cut on dotted
lines to form to flaps. Fold flaps down.
Paste cover pieces (“What time . . . ?”) to
the fronts of the flaps. Draw the
appropriate arrows on the clocks.



National Bird

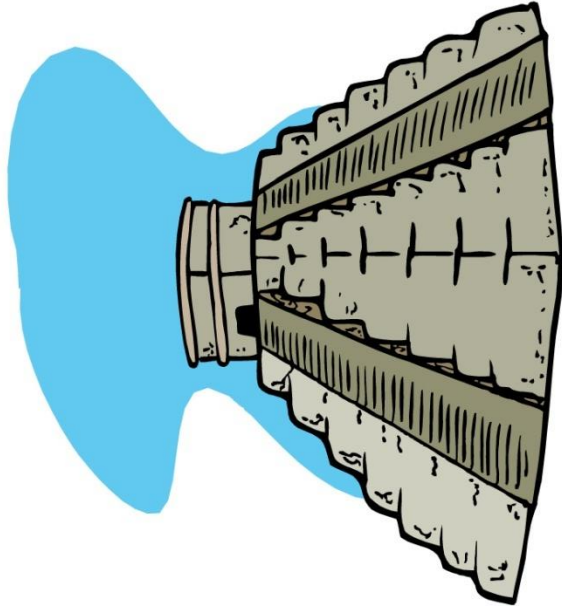


Cut book out as one piece. Fold in half. Color the picture on the outside. On the inside of the book, write multiple facts about the quetzal, Guatemala's national bird.



Cut book out as one piece. Fold in half. Write information about the ancient people of Guatemala on the inside of the book.

Ancient History: The Mayans



Cut book out as one piece. Fold in half.
Write about Guatemala's traditional
clothing styles inside the book.

Clothing



Cut book out as one piece. Fold in half. Write
about Guatemala's foods the book.

Agricultural Products

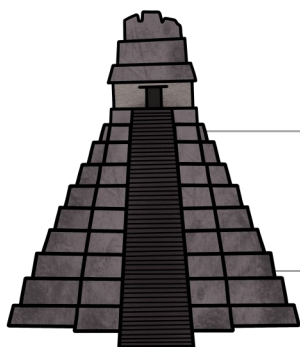


Sightseeing Guide Guatemala



Santa Catalina Arch

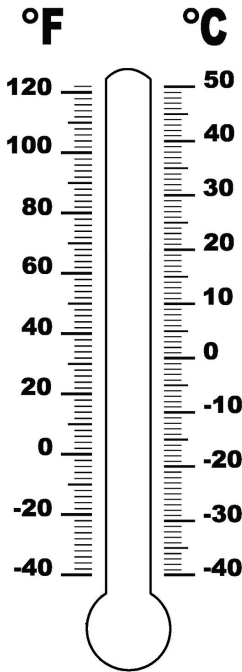
Tikal



Pacaya Volcano

Weather Comparison

USA

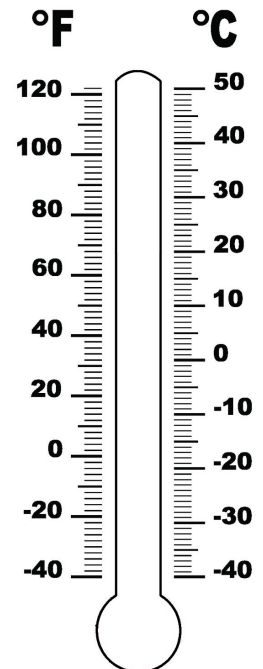


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