

## **Mayan and Aztec Collapse - Graphic Novel**

You are tasked with creating a graphic novel showing both the rise and collapse of the Mayan Empire and the rise and collapse of the Aztec Empire. This graphic novel should compare **BOTH** of the civilizations at their peak and how they fell apart/ended. It should examine what **CAUSED** the collapse and can include other factors. You may separate it into two sections, Mayan and Aztec, or you can combine the two to tell the story.

### **Characteristics of Graphic Novels:**

- Use sequential art to tell a story
- Stand alone story
- Relies heavily on imagery to tell the story with text to supplement the narrative



### **Where to Start?**

The first place to start would be with your research. Try to find facts to create a narrative that likely led to the collapse based on the information you find when researching. You should start with the society flourishing (doing well) and transition into the collapse.

Once you have done the initial research, start creating a storyboard for how your graphic novel will be laid out. This storyboard should be a working document where you are constantly updating and changing as needed. It can be a paper copy or a working document on the computer.

From your storyboard, begin to create your final draft. This can be done on paper or on a computer if needed. Your final draft must follow the criteria outlined in the assignment rubric.