**The Mesoamerican Ballgame**

Take out a separate sheet of paper for your answers; due TODAY!

Go to [**www.mesoballgame.org**](http://www.mesoballgame.org) **using GOOGLE CHROME**

1. You should see a bouncing ball; hit the ENTER button

You’re going to see 4 circles on the left side of the page. Click the **Top Left** Round Circle

1. Define Mesoamerica. Write the whole definition.

Click the word **EXPLORE** 🡪 Look at the map – now – CLICK on the word MAYA. CLICK on the word CULTURE.

1. When this this empire exist?
2. List one major accomplishment.

CLOSE that window. OPEN Ballgame.

1. Who are the HERO TWINS.

Go to the TOP of the page – CLICK on the 2nd circle that says EXPLORE GAME

CLICK on the word BALL – this page will have the answers for questions 6-11. You’ll have to click on the images and pictures for answers.

1. Why were the Mayans able to play this game? (What resource wasn’t available to other cultures?)
2. What flowering vines juice was used to make the ball extra “bouncy?”
3. What does a priest offer to the gods? (specific name)
4. Some ball had \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the core. Why?
5. What could be the size and weight of a ball used in these games?
6. What else did the Mesoamericans use rubber for?

CLICK UNIFORM at the top of the page. Use this page to answer the following questions

1. Did they wear protective gear when they played the game?
2. Dress the Mayan ballplayer. How many pieces of protection did he wear?

CLICK COURT at the top of the page. Use this page to answer the following questions

1. What was the shape of the court?
2. Why were the side walls steep?

CLICK GAME at the top of the page. Use this page to answer the following questions.

1. What happened to the winners and losers of the game?
2. What are the similarities to modern athletic events?
3. Did women play?
4. CLICK on WATCH A GAME. How did they pass the ball?

CLICK EXPERIENCE the BALLGAME.

1. PLAY the game.