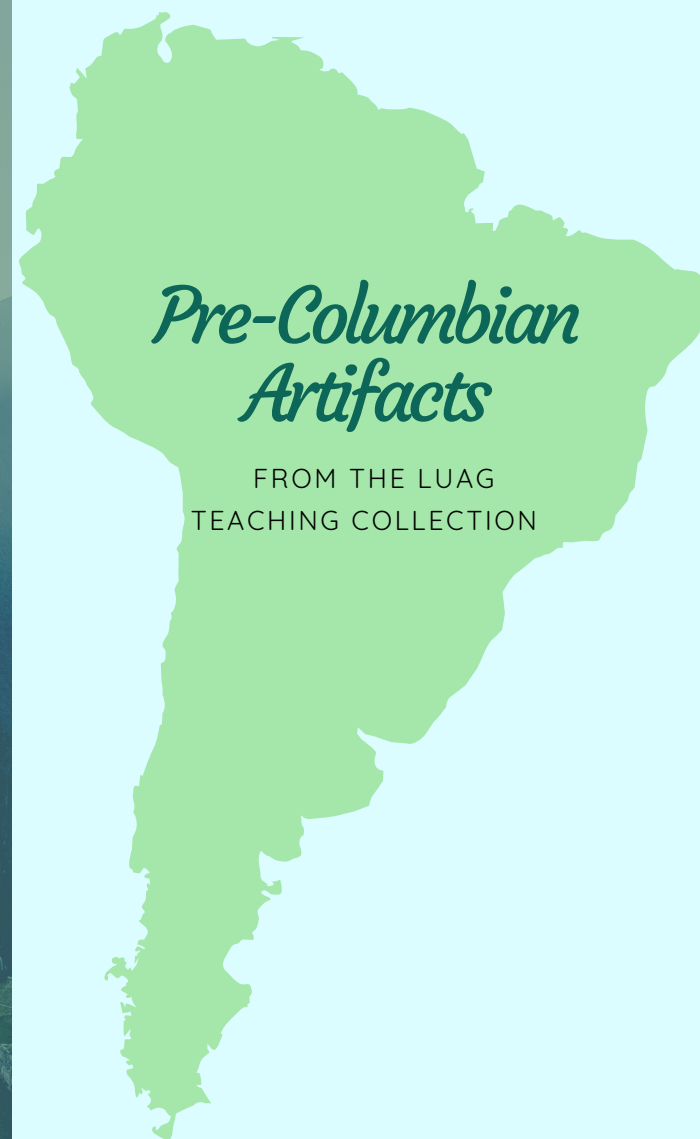


"Pre-Columbian" refers to the time before Europeans travelled to the Americas. South America was home to various indigenous peoples that existed long before colonization.

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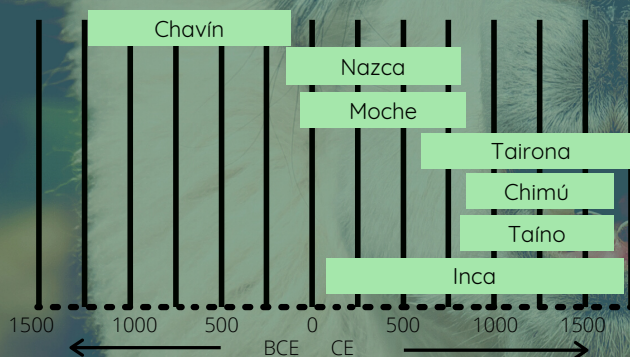
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Stone Neck Axes

These neck axes may have been used to clear land as well as to carve canoes and other wooden objects.

Ceramic Bowl

This bowl most likely was used for everyday life. It dates back to sometime between the years 1001 and 1500 CE.



Carved Stone Decoration

The Taíno religion revolved around gods, spirits or ancestors called *cemis*.

This is a stone decoration which portrays the dog deity named *Opiyel Guobiran*, who guides spirits to the after-life.



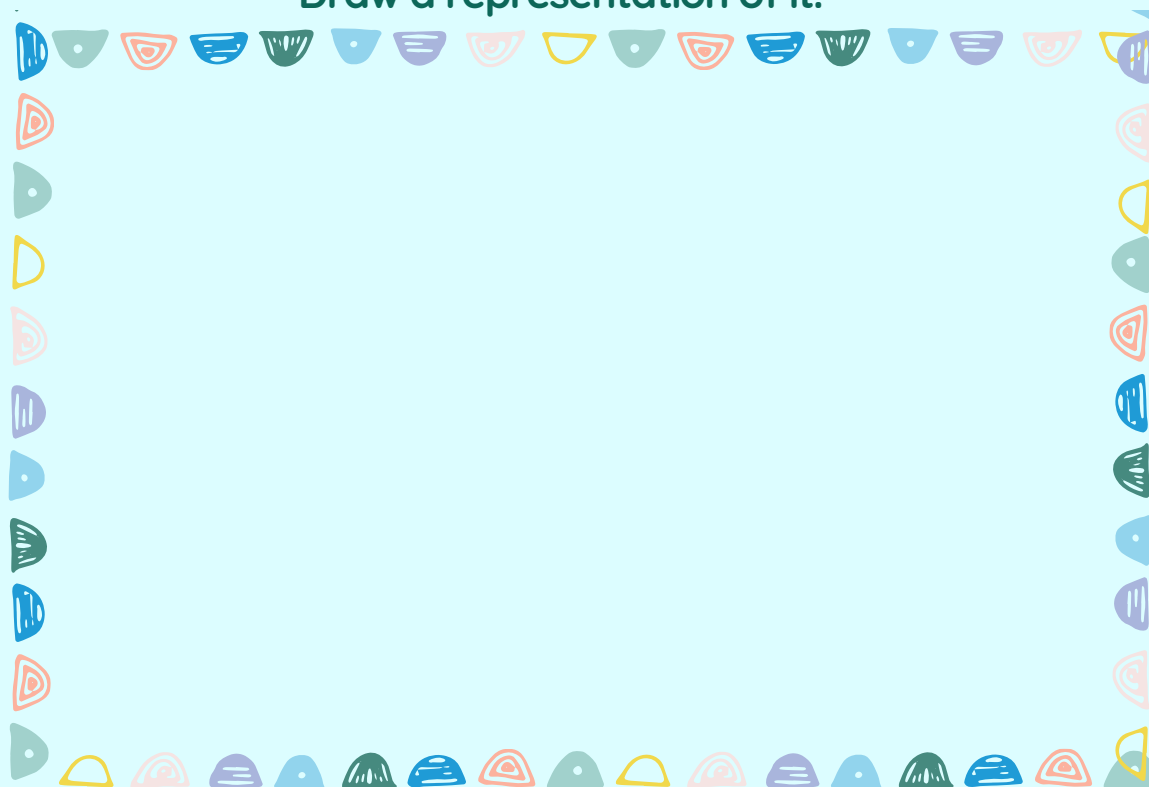
Activity

The "three sisters" or the three main agricultural crops of corn, squash, and beans were very important in Pre-Columbian cultures. The peoples worshiped deities (gods and goddesses) of the crops to invite fertile land and good harvests. They would create ceramic representations of these deities to place in their fields. Here we can see representations of corn, also known as *maize*.



What is so important to you that you cannot live without?

Draw a representation of it.



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