L.O: To design an Aztec Headdress.

Today you will be design your very own headdress - this will be drawn out into the middle of a piece of paper. Try to include a number of different colours as well as incorporating an animal into your deign.

Think carefully about the use of colour - you must explain why you have put them into your design - use the colour chat below to help:

Red	**Orange**	**Yellow**	**Green**	**Blue**
Excitement Strength Love Energy	Confidence Success Bravery Sociability	Creativity Happiness Warmth Cheer	Nature Healing Freshness Quality	Trust Peace Loyalty Competence
Pink	**Purple**	**Brown**	**Black**	**White**
Compassion Sincerity Sophstication Sweet	Royalty Luxury Spirituality Ambition	Dependable Rugged Trustworthy Simple	Formality Dramatic Sophistication Security	Clean Simplicity Innocence Honest

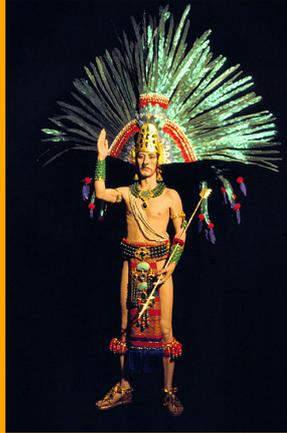Once you have designed your headdress, have a go at making it using items you can find around the house!

Aztec Headdresses

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Headdresses were not worn by 'your average Aztec'. They were generally only worn by members of the ruling class, warriors, priests and - by extension - gods and goddesses. Essentially, the Aztec 'élite' wanted to 'dress to impress', to show (off) their status to the rest of society.

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The Aztecs were one of the few great civilisations around the world that treasured and greatly valued feather headdresses: and most prized of all were the finest adornments crafted from the beautiful - and rare - turquoise-green and blue feathers of the Quetzal and Cotinga birds, from the distant lowland rainforests of Central America.

Part of the answer too comes from the simple fact that a bird can do what no human can do - fly, and soar up towards the Sun God himself, Tonatiuh. No wonder one of the greatest Aztec gods of all was the Creator God Quetzalcóatl, 'The Feathered Serpent', with the power to move freely through sky, earth and underworld

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ANIMAL STRENGTH CARDS

BRAVE
KIND
STRONG
FUN
CLEVER
RESILIENT
RESOURCEFUL
PROTECTIVE
DETERMINED
LOYAL
WISE
GENTLE