

Chapter 8

GEOGRAPHY

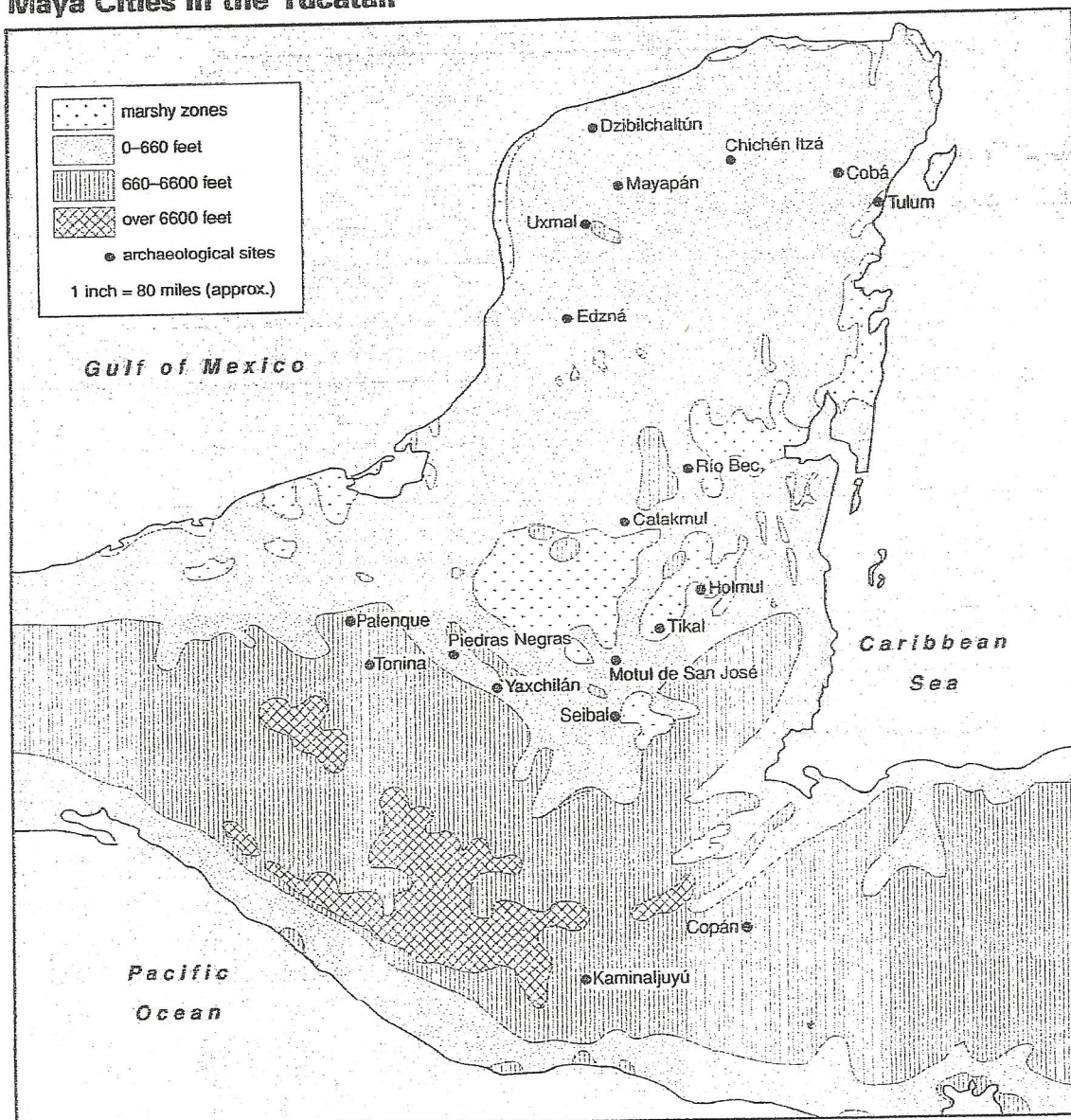
ACTIVITY

Civilizations in the Americas

The Maya Empire

The Yucatán Peninsula was home to the Maya, who built elaborate cities throughout their territory. These cities contained temples, ball courts, sacrificial wells, and astronomical observatories. Study the map below and answer the questions that follow.

Maya Cities in the Yucatán



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1. Which Maya settlement would have been most threatened by hurricanes?

2. Which Maya site is the farthest west?

3. About how far was Chichén Itzá from Uxmal?

4. Which cities were located in marshy zones?

Critical Thinking: Place

How did altitude influence the establishment of Maya cities?
