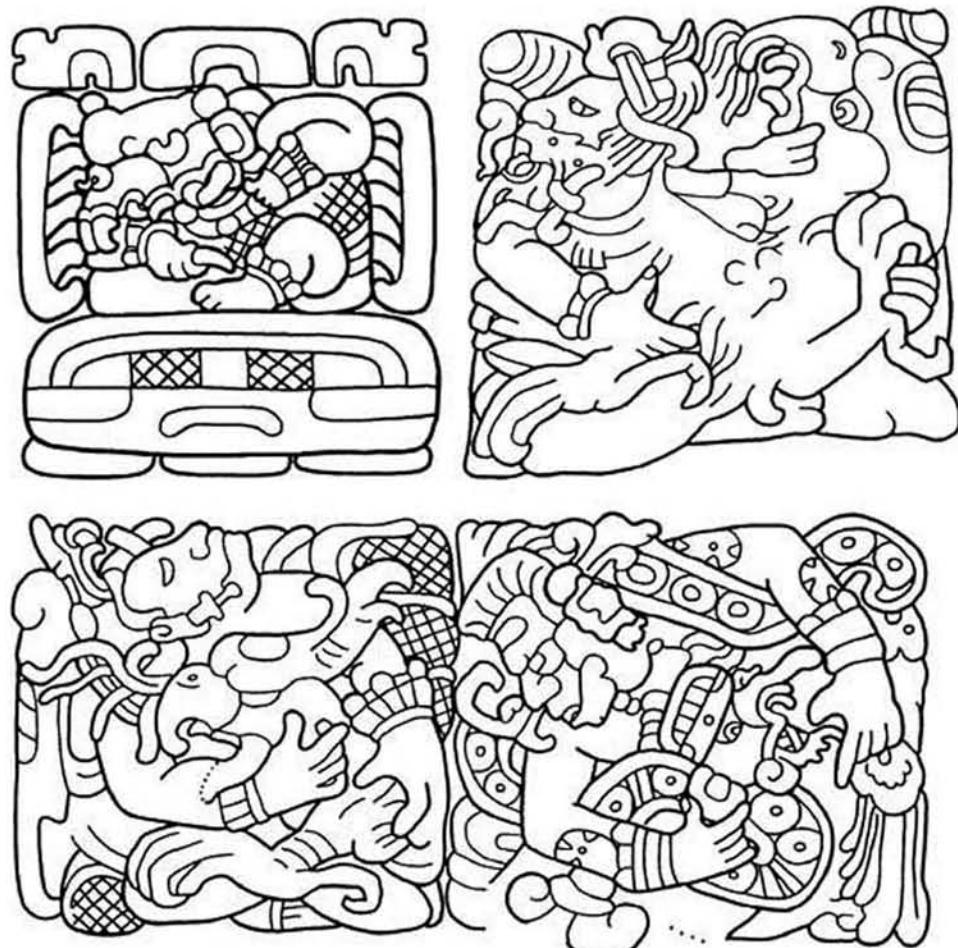


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'A
"he of" or
"one who"

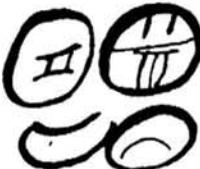


IX or IXIK
"Lady" or
"she of"



AJAW

"Lord" or
"Speaker"



AJAW

AJAW

'a-ja-wa

AJAW-wa



AJAW

'a-AJAW-wa



AJAW

AJAW

AJAW

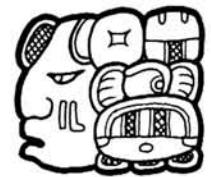
AJAW-wa



AJAW

'a-AJAW-wa

AJAW



OX K'ATUUN AJAW
"3 k'atuun (60 yrs) lord"

LAJUN K'ATUUN AJAW
"5 k'atuun (100 yrs) lord"

IXIK K'ATUUN AJAW
"lady k'atuun (20 yrs) lord"

Titles 2

KALOOMTE

title superior to
AJAW



KALOOMTE-te



KALOOMTE-te



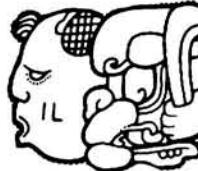
KALOOMTE-te



ka-lo-ma-te



OX K'ATUUN KALOOMTE-te
"3 k'atun (60 years) Kaloomte"



IXIK KALOOMTE-te
"Lady Kaloomte"



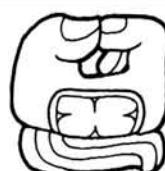
OCH-K'IN-ni KALOOMTE
"West Kaloomte"



OCH-K'IN-ni KALOOMTE-te
"West Kaloomte"

K'INICH

"Radiant" or
"Sun Eyed"



K'IN-ni-chi



K'INICH



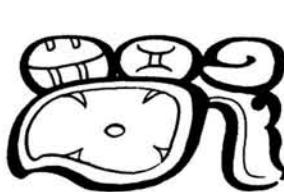
K'INICH



K'INICH



K'INICH



K'IN-ni-(chi) AJAW

YAJAW

"subsidiary lord" or
"vassal"



ya-AJAW-wa



ya-AJAW-wa-te

Titles 3

ITZ'AAT

"wise man" or
"artist"



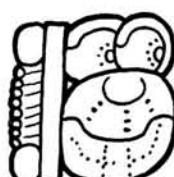
'i-tz'a-ti
"wise man"



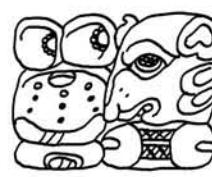
mi-ya-tzi
"wise man"

PITZIL

"ball player"



'a-pi-tzi
"he, the ballplayer"



pi-tzi-li-ch'o-ko
"ballplaying youth"

SAJAL

"one who fears"
(used for lower
status elites)



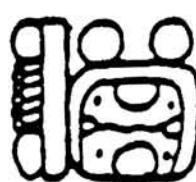
sa-ja-la



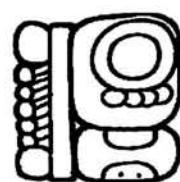
sa-ja-la

'A # BAAK

"he of
captives"



'a-ka-BAAK
"he of 2 captives"



'a-JUUN KAL-BAAK-ki
"he of 20 captives"



'a-JUUN KAL-[baak]-ki
"he of 21 captives"

'A K'UHUUN

"he of books" or
"courtier" or
"one who keeps,
guards or
venerates"



'a-K'UH-na
"he of books"



'a-K'UH-hu-na
"he of books"



IXIK-'a-K'UH-hu-na
"Lady of books"

'A NAAB

"he of
the lakes"



ja-na-bi



ja-na-bi



ja-na-bi

Titles 4

'A TZ'IHB

"he of writing"



'a-tz'i-ba

'A YUXUL

"he of carving"



'a-yu-xu-la

BAAHKAB

"first of the world" /
"head of the land"
(military title)



ba-ka-ba



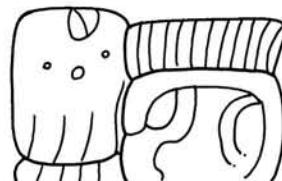
ba-ka-ba



IXIK ba-ka-ba



ba-ka-ba



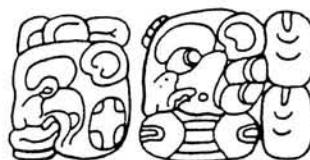
ba-KAB

BAAH-titles

"first" or "head"



ba-sa-ja-la
"first elite"



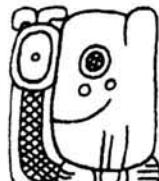
ba-hi ch'o-ko-te
"first youth"



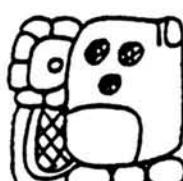
ba'-u-xu?-[lu]
"first carver"

CH'AHOOM

"one who burns or
offers incense"
or "man"



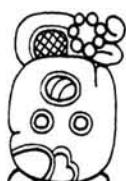
ch'a-ho-ma



ch'a-ho-ma



ch'a-ho-ma



ch'a-ho-ma



JO-K'ATUUN ch'a-ho-ma
5 k'atun man/person who burns incense



IXIK-[ch'a]-ho-ma
Lady who burns incense

Titles - Relationships 1

CH'OK

"youth," "sprout"
or "prince"



ch'o-ko
"youth"



CH'OK-ko
"youth"



CH'OK-ko
"youth"



CHAK-ch'o-ko
"great youth"



ch'o-ko-ta-ki
"the youths"

SAKUN WINIK

"elder brother"



sa-ku(n)-WINIK-ki



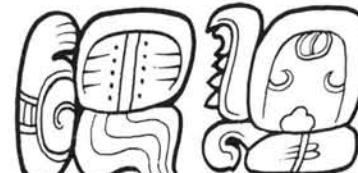
sa-ku(n)-WINIK-ki

ITZ'IN WINIK

"younger brother"



'i-tz'i(n)-WINIK
"younger brother"



yi-tz'i-ni wi-WINIK-ki
"his younger brother"

YANAT

"wife"



ya-?-na

YATAN

"companion" or
"spouse?" or
"wife?"



ya-AT-na

YICHNAL

"in the presence of"
or "witnessed and
attested by"



yi-chi-NAL-la



yi-chi-NAL

Titles - Relationships 2

Y-UNEH

"the child of" or
"the baby of"



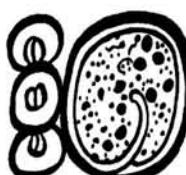
yu-ne



yu-ne



yu-ne



yu-ne

'U MIJIN

"child of the father"



'u-MIJIN-le



MIJIN-na

Y-AL

"child of the mother"



ya-AL-la



ya-AL-la



ya-AL-la



ba-ya-la
"first child of mother"

'U JUUN TAN

"the cherished
one of"



'u-JUUN-ta-na



'u-JUUN-ta-na

wi?-te-NAAH

"founder of
the lineage"



MAM

"grandfather" or
"grandson"



Titles - Emblem Glyphs 1

**K'UHUL
AJAW**



Bonampak,
Mexico



Calakmul,
Mexico



KAAN

Copan,
Honduras



Dos Pilas,
Guatemala



Machiquilla,
Guatemala



Naranjo,
Guatemala

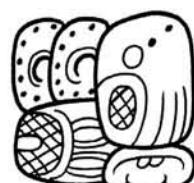


SAL

Titles - Emblem Glyphs 2

Palenque,
Mexico

BAAK



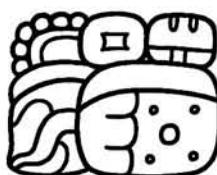
Toktahn toponym



Lakamtuun toponym

Piedras Negras,
Guatemala

YOKIB'



Quirigua,
Guatemala



Ceibal
(Seibal),
Guatemala



Tikal,
Guatemala

MUTAL



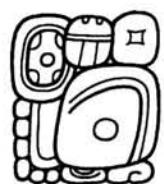
Tonina,
Mexico

POP'O



Titles - Emblem Glyphs 3

Yaxchilan,
Mexico



K'UL-AJAW-pa-CHAN-na

Yaxha,
Guatemala

YAXHA



Directions

EL K'IN

"east" or
"emerging sun"



EL-K'IN



EL-K'IN-ni

LAK'IN

"east"



la-K'IN-ni

OCH K'IN

"west" or
"entering sun"



OCH-K'IN



OCH-K'IN-ni



[o]-chi-K'IN-ni

XAMAN

"north"



xa-ma-na



xa-MAN-na



na-XAMAN

NAHAL

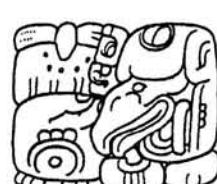
"north"



NAAH-?-la

TZ'EH K'AB K'IN

"Left Hand of
the Sun" or
"north"



NOHOL

"south"



NOH K'AB K'IN

"Right Hand of
the Sun" or
"south"



Colors

CHAK

"red"



IHK' or

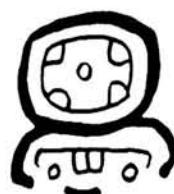
CH'EN

"black"



K'AN

"yellow"



SAK

"white"



YAX

"green"



AK'AB

"darkness" or
"night"



'a-AK'AB-li

Deities 1

K'UH

"god"

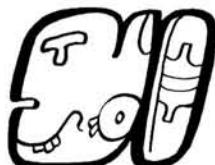


u-K'UH-li
"the god of" or "his god"

CHAHK

God B

Rain Deity /
Thunder



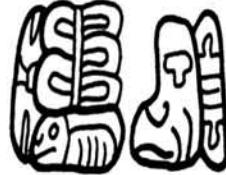
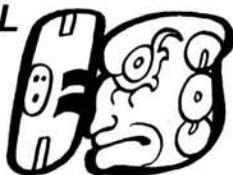
cha-ki

CHAAC-ki

cha-ki

CHAK CHEL

Goddess O



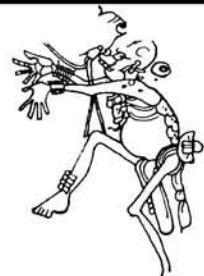
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CHAK che-le

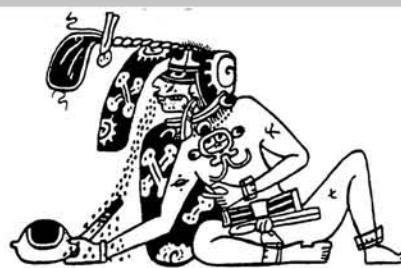
CHAK CHEL-le CHAK-ki

Death Gods

CHAM
God A



AKAN
God A'

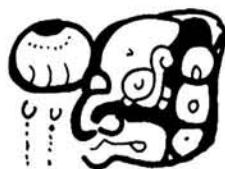


Goddess I



Deities 2

GOD L



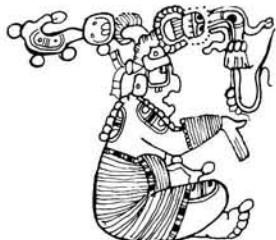
IK'

Wind God /
God H /
Number 3 /
Patron of Mak



ITZAM / ITZAMNAAJ

God D



JUUN IXIM

Maize God /
God E



K'AWIIL

God K



PAWAHTUUN

GOD N



Deities 3

K'INICH AJAW

"Sun God"



PAIRED DEITIES

GI & GIII



GI



GIII

GI & JAGUAR GOD OF UNDERWORLD (JGU)



GI



JGU



JGU

CHAN K'UL & KAB K'UL



CHAN K'UL



KAB K'UL

JUUN AJAW & YAX BALUUN



JUUN AJAW



JUUN AJAW



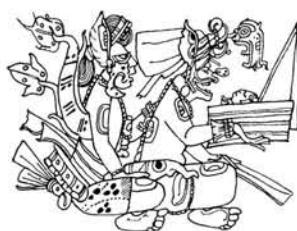
YAX BALUUN



YAX BALUUN



SCRIBAL PAIR



PADDLERS



NAAH-JO-CHAN AJAW
Paddlers' Intro Glyph



Stingray Paddler



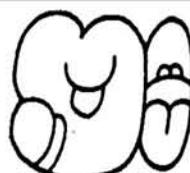
Stingray Paddler



Jaguar Paddler



Jaguar Paddler



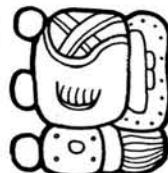
cha-ki
CHAAK Paddler



CHAAK Paddler



PALENQUE TRIAD



Palenque Triad
Intro Glyph



G I



G II
K'AWIIL



G III

WAAY

"supernatural"
"supernatural
animal companion"



way



wa-WAY-ya



WAY?-la

