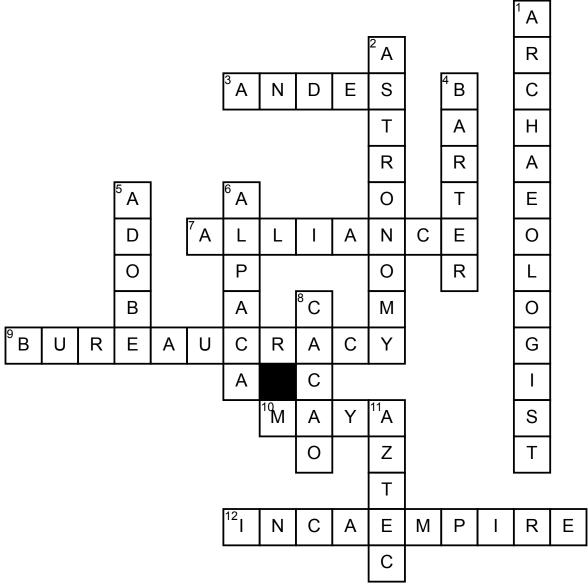
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Aztec, Maya, and Inca Empires



Across

- **3.** a mountain range in South America running 5000 miles along the Pacific coast
- **7.** an agreement establishing an association between groups
- **9.** The goverment born into leadership
- 10. a member of an American Indian people of Yucatan and Belize and Guatemala who had a culture (which reached its peak between AD 300 and 900) characterized by outstanding architecture and pottery and astronomy
- **12.** Inca Emperor Pachacuti rises to power and transforms his kingdom into the largest empire in South America.

Down

1. an anthropologist who studies prehistoric culture

- **2.** the branch of physics that studies celestial bodies
- **4.** exchange goods without involving money
- **5.** clay from which bricks are made
- **6.** domesticated llama with long silky fleece
- 8. tropical American tree producing cacao beans
- **11.** a member of the Nahuatl people who established an empire in Mexico that was overthrown by Cortes in 1519