

# ADVANCES OF THE INCA

**Directions:** Examine the documents and answer the related questions. Then, use your knowledge of the Inca civilization to answer the summary question using examples from the lesson and your own opinions.

## QUIPU

1. What is a Quipu?
2. What types of information could be recorded on a Quipu?
3. In what ways was the Quipu limited in recording information?
4. Why did the Incas use quipus rather than writing to record information?

## INCAN ROADS

5. How did the roads of the Incas deal with getting over gorges and rivers?
6. How did the Incas make sure bridges remained safe?
7. Were these roads open to the public? Explain.
8. What were these roads used for?

# TERRACE FARMING

9. What were two environmental problems faced by Andean farmers?
  
10. How did terrace farming create more farmland?
  
11. What other benefits did terrace farming provide other than creating more farmable land?

## SUMMARY QUESTION

12. Do you think the Inca Empire benefit from being ruled by an absolute ruler? Why or why not? Do you think these advances would have been possible without an absolute ruler? Give at least two specific reasons to support your position.