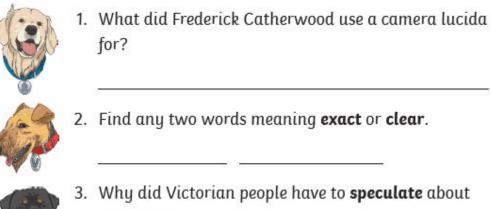
## Frederick Catherwood

- 10 Using a camera lucida (a tool used to ensure accurate
- 16 drawing of proportion and perspective), Frederick
- 23 Catherwood produced meticulous and precise drawings of
- 34 the ruins of the Maya civilisation during his visit to Copan,
- 39 in modern-day Honduras, in 1839.
- 47 His detailed drawings provided Victorian people with an
- 58 insight into life in the Maya period, which meant they were
- 58 able to speculate about the Maya kings, gods and writing
- 59 (hieroglyphs).
- 79 Although it is clear that these drawings are impressive, some
- 87 people question their importance because they were drawn
- 93 by an artist rather than photographed.



## **Quick Questions**





3. Why did Victorian people have to speculate about Maya life?



4. Some people questioned the drawings' importance.
Do you think they are important? Why?