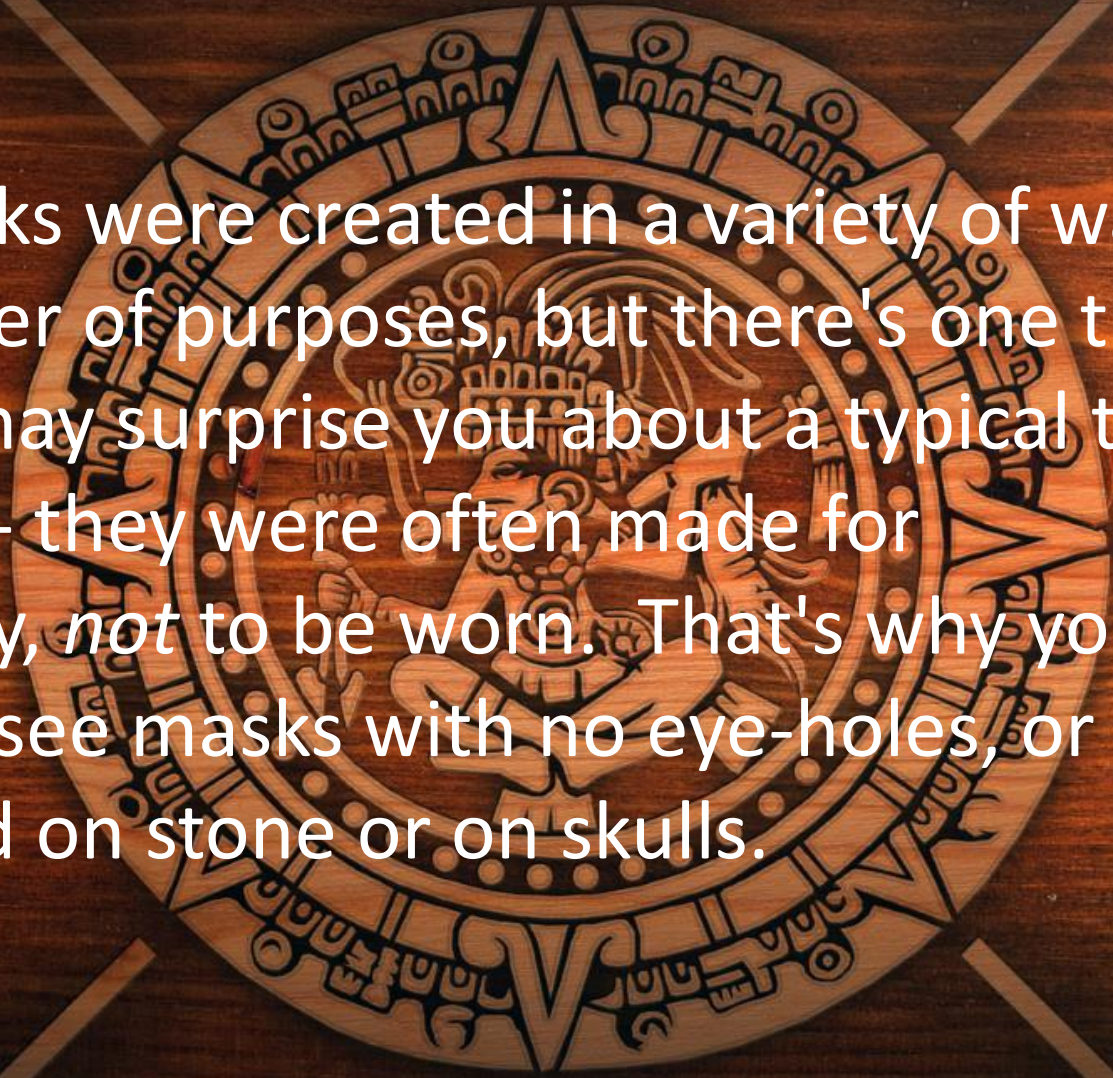


**LO: To design and create an  
Aztec Mask**



- Masks were created in a variety of ways for a number of purposes, but there's one thing that may surprise you about a typical type of mask - they were often made for display, *not* to be worn. That's why you'll often see masks with no eye-holes, or masks placed on stone or on skulls.



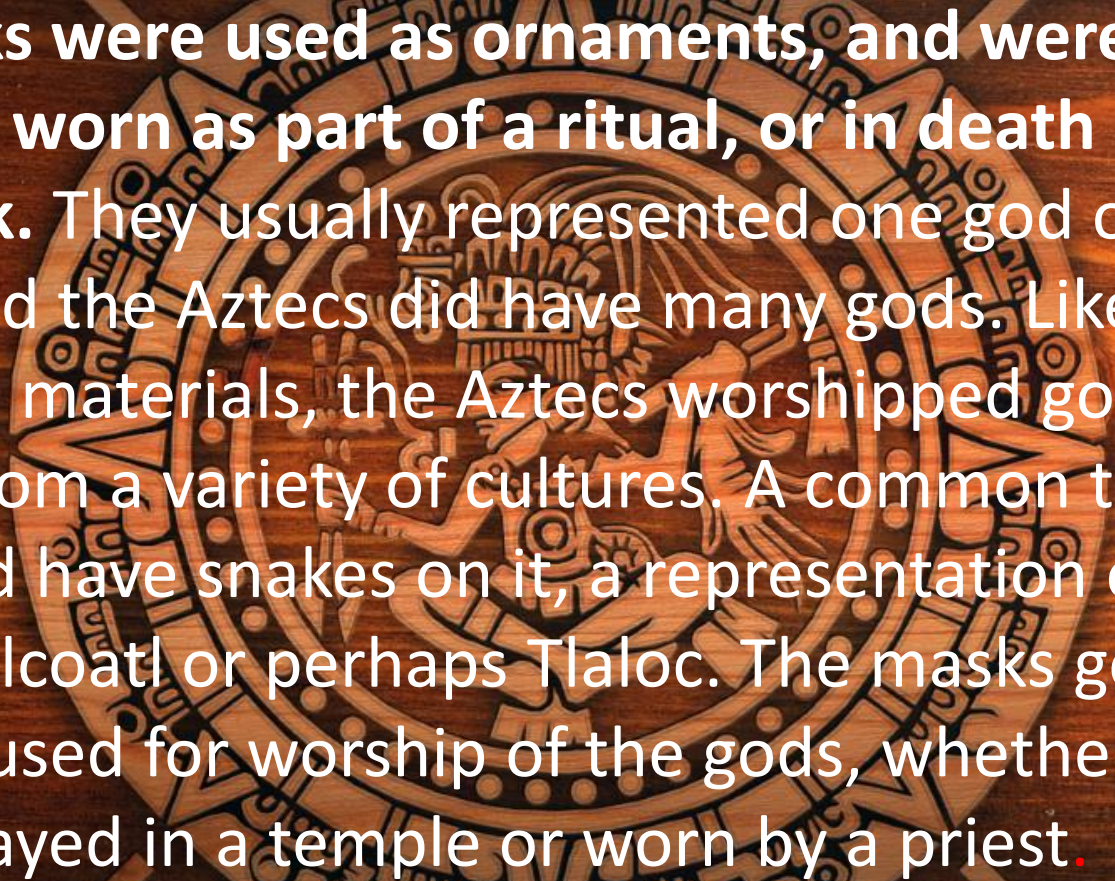
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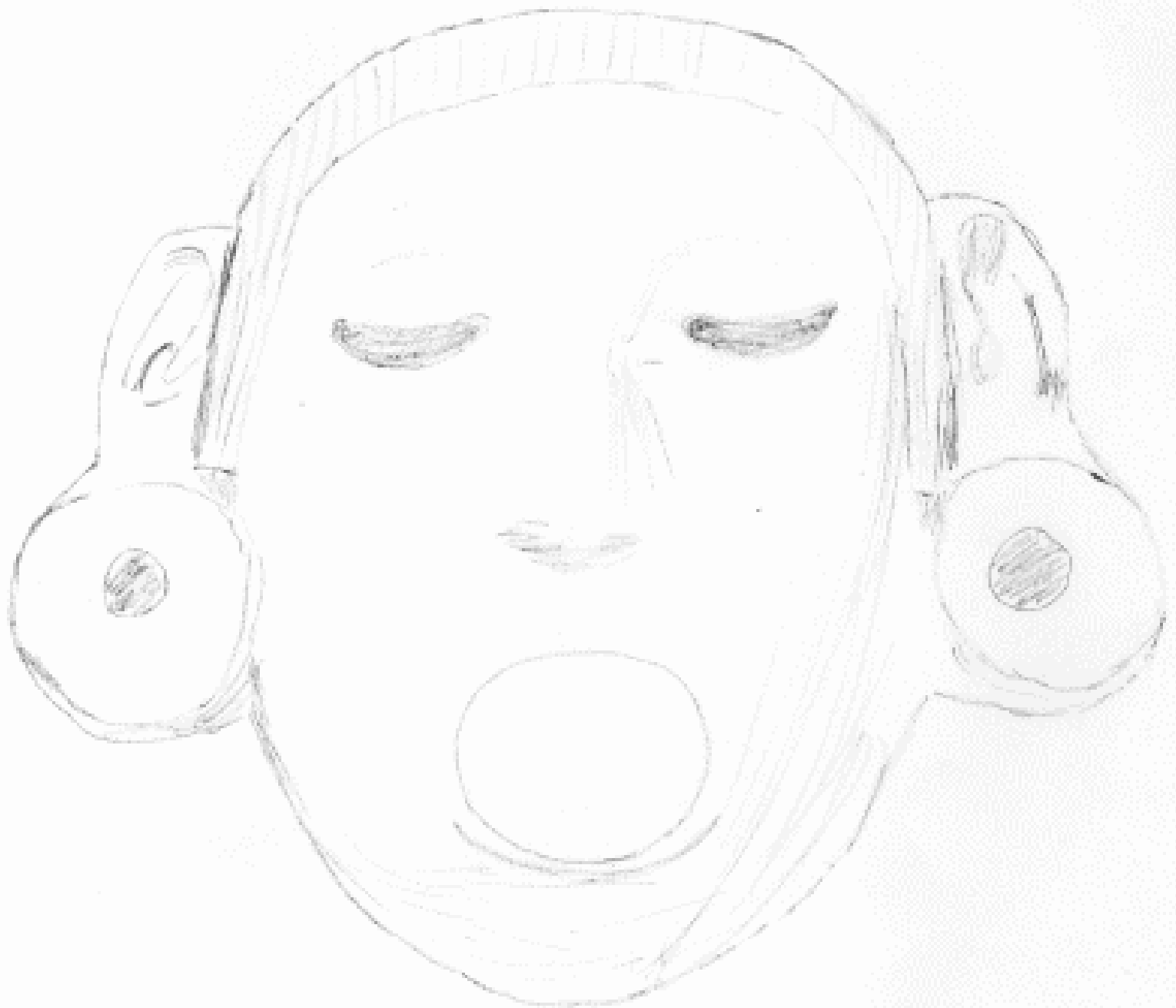


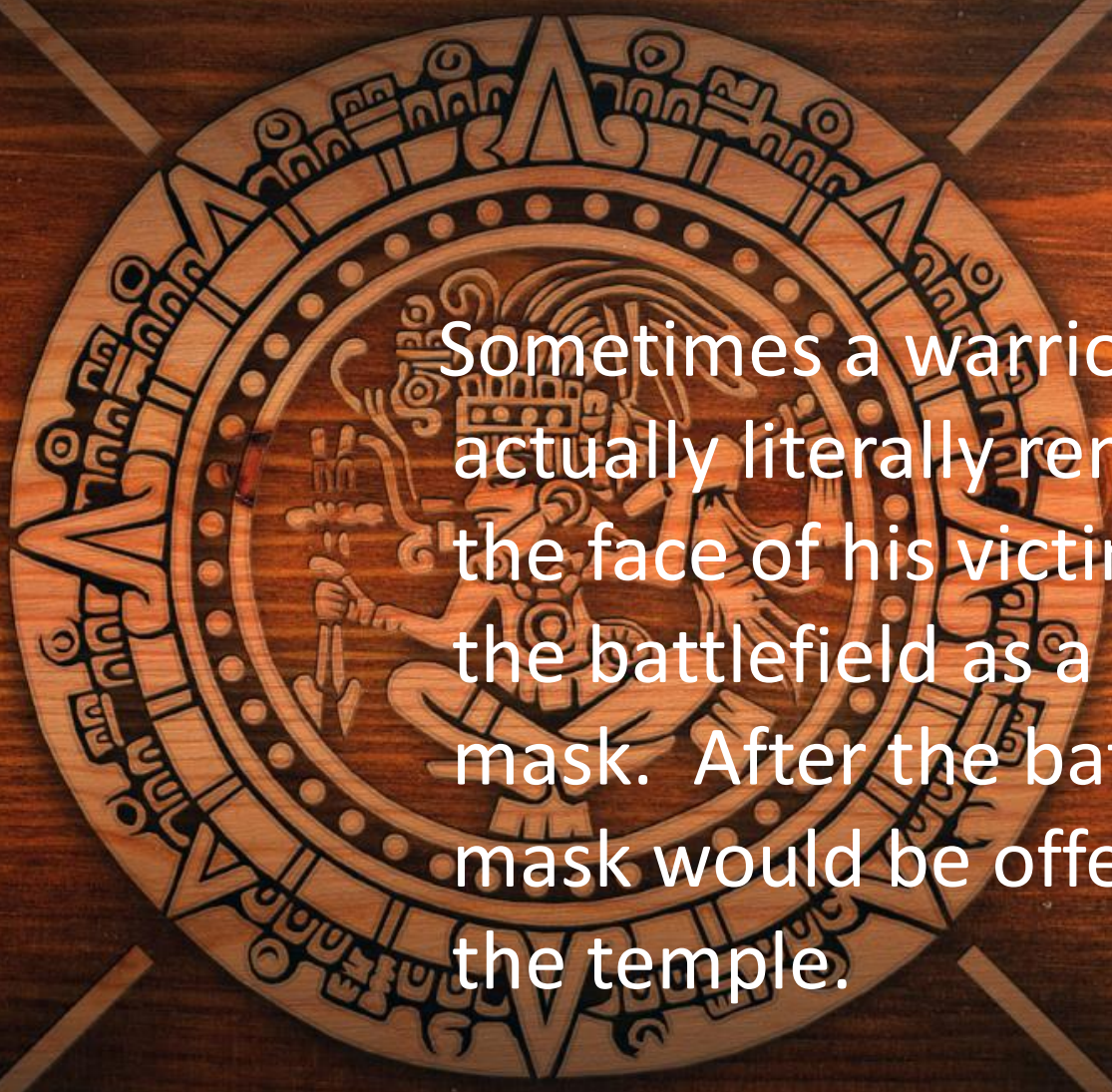
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# What were they used for?

Aztec masks were used as ornaments, and were sometimes worn as part of a ritual, or in death as a death mask. They usually represented one god or another, and the Aztecs did have many gods. Like the artistry and materials, the Aztecs worshipped gods collected from a variety of cultures. A common type of mask would have snakes on it, a representation of the god Quetzalcoatl or perhaps Tlaloc. The masks generally then were used for worship of the gods, whether by being displayed in a temple or worn by a priest.







Sometimes a warrior would actually literally remove the face of his victim from the battlefield as a mask. After the battle, the mask would be offered at the temple.











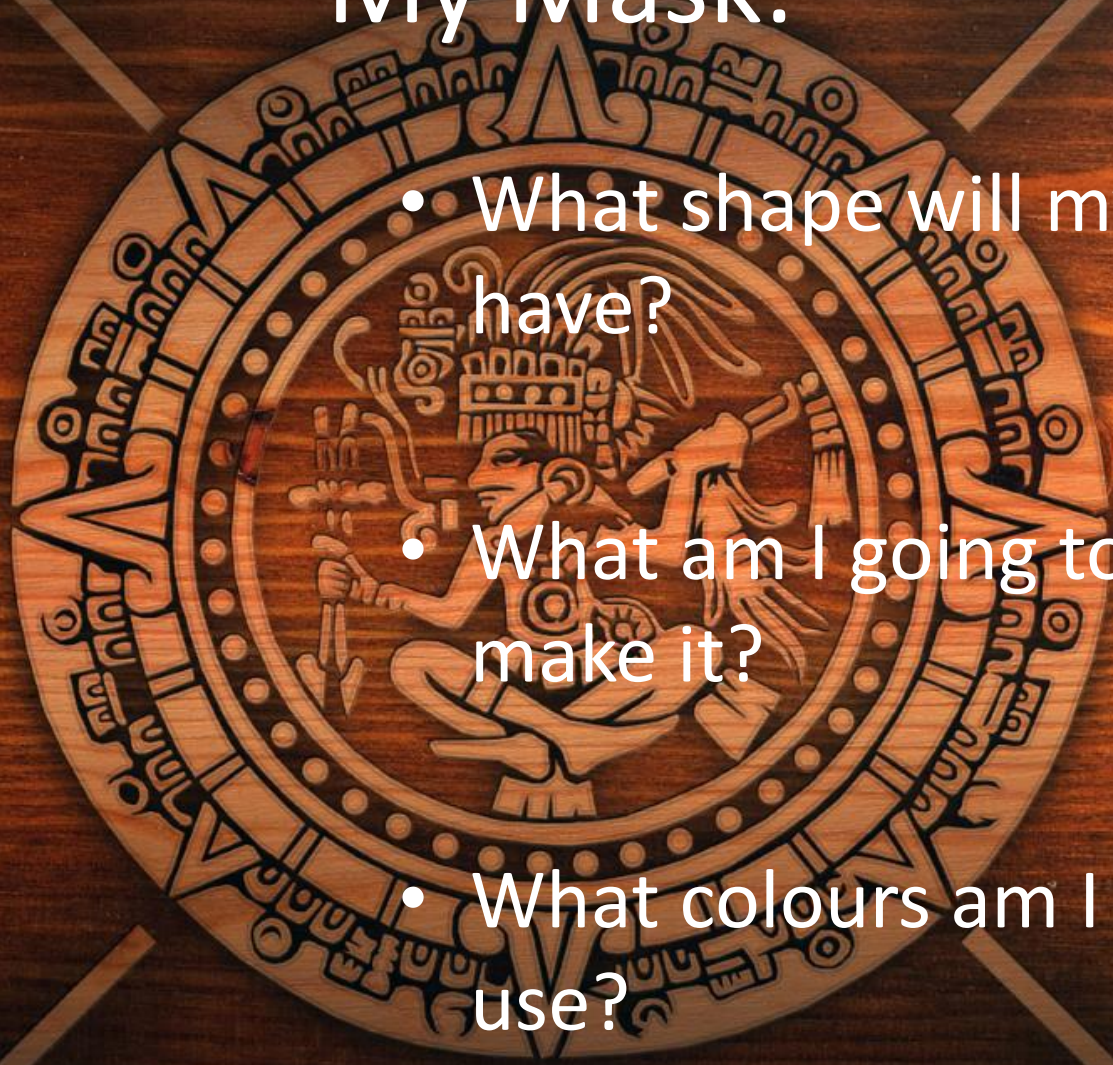
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# My Mask:

- What shape will my mask have?
- What am I going to use to make it?
- What colours am I going to use?



# Timescale

- Week 1- rough plan of your mask on paper
- Week 2- design your final mask on card
- Week 3/4- decorate and complete your mask



# Possible ideas



# Mosaic ideas

