

Mysteries of Easter Island Movie Guide

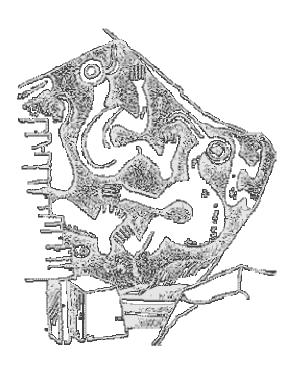
What is the native name of Easter Island and how did the island get the name Easter?



- How long had the native people been isolated from the rest of the world?
- How many people live on Easter Island today?
- What are the four major historical and ecological questions that scientists have about Easter Island?
- Who were the original islanders and where did they come from?
 - 1. What technique allowed scientists to determine the origins of the Easter Isalnders?
- When did the Polynesians reach Easter Island?
- What was the estimated maximum size of the population on Easter Island?
- What were these called and how were they made?
- How might of these statues caused a war?
- Why were scientists studying bird bones and what did they teach us about Easter Island?
- What happen to the birds and fish on Easter Island?
- Why did cannibalism start?
- What did pollen tell us about Easter Island?

- What caused the destruction of the forest?
- Explain why this ecological disaster happened on Easter Island use terms such as carrying capacity, biotic potential, ecological resistance, and tragedy of the commons.

• If Easter Island went through an ecological disaster in the early 1600's how is it that when visited in the mid 1600's the people seemed stable and healthy? Make sure to explain the birdman symbol and what it represented.



• What were the ultimate killers of the people on Easter Island and how are these pictures related to them?

