

## High One - Unit Nine - Summary

The Nazca Lines were discovered by Peruvian archaeologist Toribio Mejia Xesspe in 1927, who concluded that the lines were part of ancient Nazca culture. The Nazca Lines, however, had never been seen from an aerial view until that time. Who designed and constructed the Nazca Lines, and why? How was it possible to make such accurate, large-scale drawings on the ground without using an airplane to check from a height? These fundamental questions remain unresolved.

Erich von Däniken's theory is the most famous approach to solve the mystery of the Nazca. He had the idea that a long time ago, visitors from other stars visited the earth and naturally Nazca. They landed at this place. The people thought that they are Gods, later the aliens disappeared and left people confused. Thus, people tried to call the Gods back by drawing lines, figures, and trapezes. In fact, those drawings were landing strips for aliens' spacecraft.

The huge sketch-pad came to public prominence in Erich von Däniken's Chariots of the Gods, a book that offers many other proofs that aliens have landed on the earth and helped people process building. After an inspection, Erich dedicated that only a limited population could have lived in that area. He adds that if even all the 2000 men were working simultaneously for day and night, it was impossible to create such huge figures with available tools. Thus, he concludes that visitors set down the Earth thousands of years ago and helped guide humankind by bestowing them with technological gifts.

Von Däniken wrote in his book named "In Search of Ancient Gods" that a version of the Piri Reis map depicted some Antarctic mountains that were and still are buried in ice, and could only be mapped with modern equipment. Von Däniken also said that the map showed some distortions that would only happen if an aerial view was taken from a spaceship!!

This evidence can be very convincing but doesn't completely answer why these theorists choose to theorize and believe this theory. This is not a question that can be answered by merely stating facts. It is a question that needs analysis. By knowing all this evidence, we should confess that no one could deny the presence of the Aliens...