Name _____

LABEL THE CHINAMPA

Write the name of each part on its numbered line. Use the word bank.



WORD BANK

Water plant layers	Lake mud layers	Ahuejote willow
Lake bed	Canoe	Woven fence
Wooden posts	Canal	Crops

1. **Why did farmers plant ahuejote willows along the edges of a chinampa?**

2. **Why did a chinampa have canals on every side?**

3. **Most farms got one harvest a year. Why could a chinampa give several harvests a year?**

4. **Most chinampas were built in the southern lakes, Xochimilco and Chalco, not in the middle of Lake Texcoco. Why?**

5. **People call chinampas "floating gardens." Did they float? Use the labeled parts to explain how chinampas helped feed a city of about 200,000 people.**