

Study Guide: Historical Understandings/Latin America

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Directions: Review and answer the following questions to prepare for the test on Latin American history. Please answer the questions on a **separate sheet of paper.**

1. What was the capital of the Aztec empire? What is the name of that city in Mexico today?
2. Explain the advanced knowledge (accomplishments) of the Aztec. (At least 3)
3. What happened to the people conquered by the Aztecs?
4. Who was the conquistador who conquered the Aztecs between 1519-1521? Who was the Aztec leader at the time?
5. What did the Aztecs have that the Spanish conquistadors wanted?
6. Define indigenous, chinampas, and conquistador.
7. The Inca developed a civilization in what mountain range, which is in what continent?
8. Which modern day country includes land that was part of the Inca Empire?
9. Name three reasons the Spanish came to the new world.
10. What was the name of the capital city of the Inca Empire?
11. List some of the great achievements of the Inca. (At least 3)
12. Describe the encounter (what happened) between Montezuma and Cortes.
13. What impact did diseases that were brought over by the Spaniards have on the Aztecs and Incas?
14. The Spanish introduced what four legged animal to South America? How did this impact South America?
15. What language did the Aztec speak?
16. What language did the Inca speak?
17. Describe what happened to the Sapa Inca in the city of Cajamarca when the Spanish attacked.
18. Explain the impact of the Columbian Exchange on Latin America (population, agriculture, and culture).
19. Describe the importance of African slavery on the development of the Americas.
20. Why were the African slaves brought to the Americas (New World)?
21. What is the most common religion in Latin America? Why?
22. What is the official language of Brazil? Why?
23. What did the people of South America call Bolivar? Why?
24. L'Ouverture gained independence for which country? Which country imprisoned and killed him?
25. Miguel Hidalgo was known as the father of independence for which country?
26. How did Toussaint L'Ouverture, Simon Bolivar, and Miguel Hidalgo help lead their people to independence? In other words, what were their accomplishments?
27. What last impacts did the independence movement have on Latin America?
28. How long did the Spanish rule in Mexico after Cortes conquered the Aztec?

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