

Latin American History Study Guide

1. What was the capital of the Aztec empire?
2. Which items showed that the Aztecs had advanced knowledge?
3. What did the Spanish do to the Aztec's art after they conquered their home?
4. Cortes is most famous for doing what?
5. What did Montezuma do to Cortes and his men as they approached?
6. How did Mexico City get its name?
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8. How long did Spain control Mexico after conquering the area?
9. Who was the ruler of the Aztecs when Cortes arrived in Mexico?
10. What did Montezuma give Cortes when they met?
11. Why did Montezuma's people view him as a great leader?
12. How many miles long was the Inca civilization?
13. Which modern country includes land that was part of the Inca Empire?
14. What country conquered the Inca Empire?
15. What person conquered the Inca Empire ?

16. Describe how Pizarro conquered the Incas.
17. What natural resource did Atahualpa have an abundance of?
18. What was considered the "Old World"?
19. What was considered the "New World"?
20. What was the Columbian Exchange?
21. List the goods sent from the old world to the new world.
22. List the goods sent from the New World to the Old World.
23. Where did Europeans in the 16th century find a cheap labor source for work in the new world?
24. What is effect of slavery that influences Latin America today?
25. What languages and religion are found in Latin America?
26. How did colonization play a role in today's language and religion?
27. Toussaint L'Ouverture gained freedom for which country?
28. Who put Toussaint L'Ouverture in prison?
29. What was Toussaint's childhood like?
30. Simon Bolivar is known as the liberator of which group of people?
31. What country is named after Simon Bolivar?

32. Miguel Hidalgo was known as the father of independence for which country?
33. What was Miguel Hidalgo's job?
34. Who took over as dictator of Cuba in 1959?
35. What kind of government did Castro create in Cuba?
36. What country helped Castro build Cuba into a communist country?
37. Why did the Zapatistas not like NAFTA?
38. What group do the Zapatistas support?
39. What are the goals of the Zapatistas?
40. How did the Zapatistas show they were against NAFTA?