Guided Notes:

**The Aztecs and Incas**

**The Aztec Civilization**

**Ancient Civilization located in present day \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

* Most powerful from the 1200’s to the 1500’s
	+ Eventually defeated in 1572

**Who were the Aztecs?**

* Capital City: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Known for their artwork and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Most powerful group conquered other tribes
	+ Conquered tribes paid \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Religion: believed in multiple Gods
	+ Human and Animal sacrifice
* Complex society
	+ Mathematical system, Unique \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and Farming system

**Aztecs and Warfare**

* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ was the most dominant warrior tribe
	+ They conquered and controlled the other tribes
* Aztecs encouraged \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to maintain power and to please the God of War

**European countries wanted to explore the rest of the world & create large \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

* Why did they want to create large empires?
	+ God, Gold, and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Spain hired Christopher Columbus to explore and find a new trade route to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to buy spices
	+ Instead, Columbus discovered the “New World” in 1492
		- This New World was Latin America

**Instead of travelling to Asia, Spain decided to establish colonies in South America**

* They sent Conquistadors to take over the land from native people
	+ Conquistador = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
	+ Hernan \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ was sent to settle Mexico, where the Aztecs lived

**Important Names**

* Hernan Cortes: Conquistador who conquered \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ : ruler of the Aztec Empire

Cortes and the Spanish conquered Aztecs in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

* Cortes became allies with tribes who hated Aztecs
	+ Aztecs had enemies, because they were \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the surrounding tribes they defeated
* Cortes captured the Aztec ruler, Montezuma II
	+ Montezuma II \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Cortes into their capital
* Spain claimed control of the Aztec empire

**Why was Cortes able to defeat the Aztecs with an army of only 1,000 men?**

1. Spanish had better \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Aztecs had clubs, arrows, and spears
* Spanish had swords, armor, cannons, guns, and horses
1. Cortes teamed up with other tribes
2. European \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ wiped out the Aztecs
* Aztecs had no immunity, because they weren’t exposed to those diseases
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ killed 90% of Aztecs

**Inca Civilization**

**Powerful civilization located along the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ coast of South America**

* + Located in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Mountains
	+ Present day Peru, Colombia, Ecuador, Bolivia, and Chile
	+ Incas became powerful during the 1400s
		- The Incas conquered other tribes surrounding them
	+ Incas are known for being powerful, intelligent, and innovative
		- \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in Latin America
		- Gold, Silver, and Bronze jewelry

**Important Names**

* Francisco \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_: Spanish Conquistador who defeated the Incas
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_: last ruler of the Incas

**In the 1500s, the Incas were defeated by Pizarro and the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

* + Pizarro was sent by Spain to explore the west coast of South America
	+ Atahualpa was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and then executed
	+ The Incas were defeated for the same reasons as the Aztecs
		- Spain had more advanced weapons and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Columbian Exchange**

**Columbian Exchange: an exchange of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ between European countries and their colonies in North and South America.**

* Basically the Old World (Europe, Africa and Asia) began trading with the New World (North/South America)

**Native Americans introduced the following to Spain:**

* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_: beans, potatoes, squash, and maize (corn) peppers, tomatoes to Spain

**Spain introduced the following to Native Americans:**

* Animals/Food: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, pigs, peaches
* Clothes made from Spain
* Disease: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ killed many of the indigenous (native) population
* Christianity: Many Natives Americans were forced to become \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**The Columbian Exchange led to…**

* An increase in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the New and Old World
* Decline of Native population in Latin America (smallpox)
* The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ being used by Natives in everyday life