

1. Exploration, Discovery, and Settlement, 1492–1700

- “In the 1500s, Native Americans possessed a wide range of complex cultures.” Each of the following gives evidence to support this statement EXCEPT
 - the Aztec capital of Tenochtitlán
 - the organization of Inca society
 - Native Americans’ susceptibility to European diseases
 - the Mayas’ agricultural system
 - the Mayan calendar
- Which of the following best describes the way Europeans treated Native Americans in the 1500s and 1600s?
 - Native Americans were regarded as inferior people subject to Christian domination.
 - Native American ways of life were respected.
 - Since nothing of value could be learned or obtained from the Native Americans, Europeans thought it was permissible to exterminate them.
 - Europeans cultivated good relations with Native Americans and sought to make them economic partners.
 - Only the English believed that Native Americans should be treated fairly.
- Which of the following was the LEAST important factor behind European exploration and settlement in the 16th century?
 - increase in scientific knowledge and technological change
 - population increase
 - development of nation-states
 - competition for trade
 - religious commitment
- By the end of the 16th century, all of the following were generally true about Spain’s colonial empire EXCEPT
 - It was controlled by a bureaucracy in Madrid.
 - The Roman Catholic Church had great influence.
 - New universities were spreading education and culture.
 - Families continued to emigrate from Spain.
 - Great wealth was being sent back to Spain.
- The delay in founding English settlements in the Americas was the result of
 - weak English monarchs
 - the lack of English territorial claims in the Americas
 - failure to develop trade with other nations
 - fear of Spain
 - religious upheavals in England
- At the beginning of the 17th century, all of the following factors served to increase the English role in America EXCEPT
 - defeat of the Spanish Armada
 - population growth
 - royal leadership
 - development of joint-stock companies
 - emigration for religious reasons
- The survival of the Jamestown colony can be most directly attributed to the
 - religious spirit of the settlers
 - management of the Virginia Company
 - development of a tobacco industry
 - location of the settlement
 - nobles’ diligent search for gold
- Which of the following sources would be most useful in studying the development of democratic institutions in the early colonial period?

- (A) the Edict of Nantes
- (B) the first charter of the Virginia Company
- (C) Columbus' journals
- (D) the Treaty of Tordesillas
- (E) the Mayflower Compact

9. Which of the following statements is the most widely accepted description of Columbus' accomplishments?

- (A) He discovered a New World.
- (B) He bears much of the blame for oppressing Native American peoples in North America.
- (C) He started a permanent relationship between Europe and the Americas.
- (D) He is responsible for most of the problems in the Americas during the colonial period.
- (E) His heroic deeds will always be respected by fair-minded American citizens.

10. The issue of religion figured most prominently in the consideration of which of the following?

- (A) the settlement of Jamestown
- (B) the establishment of Puritan colonies in Massachusetts
- (C) France's Indian policy
- (D) discoveries by the Spanish conquistadores
- (E) Spain's support of Columbus' voyages