

Chapter 24: New World Student Notes

Conquest of the Americas

Spain

1. What is a conquistador?
2. How were the Aztecs conquered?
3. How were the Incans conquered?
4. Describe the social classes in the Spanish social hierarchy (when you're studying, see also Q7 on this sheet).
5. How did Spanish Catholicism & American religions interact?

Portugal

6. What was the Treaty of Tordesillas?
7. Describe the social classes at the bottom of the scale in both Spanish and Portuguese social hierarchies.

France

8. What areas did France settle in the New World? Why?
9. What was the role of women in trade between Amerindians and French settlers?

England

10. Why did the English come to the New World?

11. Describe the typical English relationship with Amerindians.

Coerced Labor Systems in the New World

Spanish systems (describe each)

12. Encomienda

13. Mita

14. Hacienda

15. Repartimiento

Other Systems

16. Why did sugar require more labor than other cash crops?

17. Why did Portugal in particular bring many slaves to the new world?

18. To what degree did France and England rely on slave labor?

19. France and England also employed indentured servitude. What is that?

Oceania and Polynesia

20. At the outset of European expansion, to what degree did Europe impact Oceania? Why?

21. Describe the voyages of James Cook and their impacts on the various areas of Oceania.