**World History**

**Chapter 20 – The Atlantic World**

**Study Questions**

*A \* next to a question denotes a more detailed answer is required. A \*\* means… well, I think you know what it means!*

**Section 1 – Spain Builds an American Empire**

1. Where did Columbus land in his search for a westward passage to India? Who did he find?
2. Why did Spain’s rulers agree to finance three more voyages for Columbus? **(partly an inference question)**
3. What is a colony?
4. What are the most significant discoveries that were made by the explorers that followed Columbus?
5. What are the consequences of the conquests of the Spanish conquistadors?
6. \*Describe Hernan Cortes’ interactions with the Aztec. Explain the outcomes of this contact. ***(Do additional research online and include additional information about the Aztec Empire)***
7. \*Describe Francisco Pizarro’s interactions with the Aztec. Explain the outcomes of this contact. ***(Do additional research online and include additional information about the Incan Empire) Be sure to read about Pizarro and Atahaulpa at the bottom of p. 557.***
8. Describe Spain’s pattern of conquest in Central and South America.
9. What occurred as a result of Spain’s increased wealth for their American conquests?
10. \*Contrast Spanish colonization in North America with its colonization in Central and South America. ***(You’ll have to draw from information earlier in this section)***
11. From whom, and in what ways, was there resistance/opposition to Spanish rule in the Americas?

* ***Read and answer the questions on Bartolome de las Casas from the website***

**Section 2 – European Nations Settle North America**

* Complete the workbook page for this section.
* Complete the Geography Skill Builder on p. 564

**Section 3 – The Atlantic Slave Trade**

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  + For the 2nd question, do additional research and answer the following question: Why did those two regions imported the most slaves?

**Section 4 – The Columbian Exchange and Global Trade**

1. \*\*Using the book and outside information answer the following questions:
   1. What was transferred between the Americas and the rest of the world?
   2. What were the negative and positive impacts of what was exchanged?
   3. Research modern day items that are exchanged between the US and other nations today. How does this compare to what was traded during the Columbian Exchange?
2. What is capitalism? How did it change the European economy?
3. \*\*Define and discuss the role of inflation during this time period. Also, research hyperinflation, then define and discuss its role through historical examples. Follow up with additional research of inflation in Spain during this time period and defend whether or not it would be considered hyperinflation.
4. What is a joint-stock company and how was it used during the 1500’s and 1600’s?
5. What is mercantilism?
6. What is the goal of mercantilism?
7. Describe the balance of trade in the United States today? Explain why we have a good or bad balance of trade? Is it hurting, helping, or having no impact on the US economy?