

Khan Academy Questions

Latin-American Studies

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- 1) Who first arrived in the New World in 1492 from Europe and what new nation did they represent?
- 2) As early as 1494, what two nations had to divide the New World between them to avoid future conflict in Europe?
- 3) What were the three "G's" of colonization?
- 4) Why were the Aztecs NOT well loved in Mexico at the time of the Spanish arrival?
- 5) How many men did Hernan Cortez take with him to Vera Cruz, on the coast of Mexico?
- 6) How many allied warriors did Cortez have with him when he finally came upon the Aztec capital?
- 7) How does the video narrator characterize the Spanish rule of Mexico after the Aztecs were defeated?
- 8) How did the Encomienda System regulate labor in Mexico?
- 9) Given the harsh treatment of the Spanish encomenderos and the European diseases they brought, what happened to the native population of this era?
- 10) What is syncretism and how did it work in the New World?
- 11) Why did the Spanish racial caste system develop in the New World?
- 12) Who was at the top, middle and bottom of the caste system?