

Spain Builds an Empire

Hernando Cortes



- Arrived in Mexico
- Cortes and men known as *conquistadors*
- Conquered the Aztecs
- Effect on the Natives: Disease
- Read bottom of pg 120 to pg 122, *Spanish Conquests in Peru*
- *What were some of the diseases Europeans brought with them?*
- *What was the Aztec capital and who was it's ruler?*
- *Why might Montezuma have thought Cortes a god?*
- *What factors played a key role in Cortes men conquering the Aztecs?*

Francisco Pizarro

- Peru
- Incan ruler, Atahualpa, kidnapped
- Conquered the Incan Empire



- Read *pg. 122 Spanish conquests in Peru to pg. 125*
- How far did Francisco Vasquez de Coronado lead his expedition north?
- Answer these questions
 1. How were the conquistadors and Spanish missionaries similar?
 2. Define- Encomienda
 - Mestizo-
 3. How did the end of the encomienda system lead to the use of enslaved Africans?

Relationships with the Natives

- Large mestizo population
- Forced Native Americans to work
 - Encomienda system
- Encomienda system abolished
 - Christianity spreading
- Spanish colonies pushing North
- Need for labor
 - Where does it come from?

