

Block, January 14,15

DJ: 1)

HW: 1) Chapter 14 Study Guide & Quiz T 1/20

2) Gunpowder Article Levels fo Questions T 1/20

Ann.: 1) None

Today:

1) Guns, Germs and Steel Part II

2) Analyze Aztec Docs

Diamonds Question: Why were the fewer in number Spanish conquistadors able to dominate the mighty Inca Empire?

Thesis: The Spanish benefited from the advantages of the Eastern Hemisphere geography and sharing of advancements.

General Topics:

- a) Advanced military capabilities
- b) Greater immunity to disease
- c) Increased diversity of domesticated plants and animals

underline EVIDENCE and squiggle ANALYSIS.

Bernardo, a Franciscan monk who spoke the Aztec native language of Nahuatl and arrived early in New Spain in 1529 _____

Doc A is a secondary source published in 1998 and like Prescott has a current emphasis on Aztec accomplishments prior to Spanish conquest when he . . .

Doc B

The Calendar Stone discovered in 1790, over two hundred years after Cortez's conquest, is an example of artifacts unearthed that demonstrate the Aztec's complex religious life centering around the seasons. Tracking seasons with interwoven 260-day and 365-day cycles were critical to planting and harvesting in Mesoamerica where an environment that was both dry and cold made cultivation challenging.