

WHII Study Guide
SOL 4/5 Age of Exploration & 1500 Empires

SOL 4 Age of Exploration

1. What were the 3 main causes for European exploration?
2. Where did innovations in navigational arts stem from during the age of exploration?
3. What were the 2 types of Christianity that Europeans brought over to the Americas?
4. Which explorer conquered the Incas in South America?
5. Which explorer conquered the Aztecs in Mexico?
6. Who was the first explorer to circumnavigate the world?
7. Who was the first English explorer?
8. What landmass did da Gama sail around to get to India?
9. Which explorer set the stage for a French colony in North America?
10. What river did he sail down?
11. Which explorer thought he discovered a new route to Asia but ended up discovering the New World?
12. Which Portuguese leader sponsored voyages of exploration along the coast of Africa?
13. Identify the country that each explorer was associated with:

1. Da Gama	3. Cartier	5. Cortez	7. Drake
2. Pizzaro	4. Magellan	6. Columbus	8. Prince Henry
14. Under mercantilism, what does greater wealth equal?
15. List the 4 main European maritime colonial empires.
16. What purpose did their colonies serve under the idea of mercantilism?
17. What happened to the Spanish economy as a result of too much gold being brought back?
18. What type of system did the Spanish create in the Americas?
19. What term describes people who are half European and half Indian?
20. What caused the Native American population to decrease rapidly?
21. What treaty settled a dispute over land claims in the Americas between Spain and Portugal?
22. What colony did Portugal end up with?
23. What led to the demise of the Native American population in the Americas?
24. What group of people did the Europeans use to replace the Native Americans in the Americas?
25. What 3 European empires established trading companies with the southern coast of India?
26. What 3 products went from the Americas to Europe during the Columbian Exchange?
27. What 3 products made their way from Europe to the Americas during this exchange?
28. What type of plantation system became established in the Americas?
29. What did the system of slavery become based upon?
30. What were the 3 regions of the Triangular Trade?
31. What did the Americas export to Europe?
32. What did the Europeans export to Africa?
33. What did Africa export to the Americas?
34. What was the name of the passage that sent millions of people from Africa to the Americas?

SOL 5 1500 Empires

35. What is the original territory called that the Ottomans conquered?
36. What city did the Ottomans rename as their new capital?
37. What strategic sea did the Ottomans control the trade routes of?
38. What religion unified the Ottomans?
39. What 2 products did the Ottomans trade?
40. What modern day country did the Mughals conquer?
41. What religion did the Mughals bring to their empire?
42. What famous architectural structure did the Mughals create?
43. What part of India remained independent from the Mughal Empire?
44. What products did this region trade?

- 45. What did China establish in order to limit its trade with foreign empires?**
- 46. What was the name of the Japanese military that ruled in the 1500s?**
- 47. What ism did Japan use to control its foreign influences on society?**
- 48. What products did the Songhai Empire import from the Americas?**
- 49. What language did the Holy Roman Empire speak?**
- 50. What 2 religions were practiced in this empire?**