

ANSWER KEY**STUDY GUIDE - Colonization of the Western Hemisphere**

Know the definition of the following:

Colonize: To take land away from natives and use it as your own.

Natural Resources: Resources that come from the Earth. Ex. silver and gold.

Civilized: A society with advanced technology and inventions.

Conquistador: A Spanish conqueror/explorer.

Smallpox: A deadly disease brought over by the Spanish that killed many natives.

Know the time (decade) of when the Europeans first started conquering the Western Hemisphere: 1490

Know the European countries that colonized the Western Hemisphere and the languages spoken by these countries:

European Country	Language Spoken
England	English
France	French
Spain	Spanish
The Netherlands	Dutch
Portugal	Portuguese

Know the languages that are spoken in these countries TODAY:

U.S.A. English

Mexico Spanish

Brazil Portuguese

Canada English & French

Know the most common language spoken in Latin America: Spanish

Know the reasons why the Spanish were able to defeat the Natives:

- Horses
- Guns
- Better swords/armour
- Smallpox
- Already weak from fighting each other
- Native traitors/spies

Know which religion is practiced most widely in Latin America TODAY:

Christianity (Roman Catholic)

Why? The Spanish conquistadors brought priests with them to convert the native people to Christianity (Catholicism.)

Know which European country had the largest area of control in Latin America:

Spain

Know about the Treaty of Tordesillas:

In 1493 Pope Alexander VI made a decision to fairly divide
(year)

South America up between Spain and Portugal. Portugal did

not feel it was a fair division and so in 1494 the Treaty of Tordesillas was
(year)

renegotiated. An imaginary line was drawn through the South

American country of Brazil. Spain received all the land

west of this line and Portugal received all the land **east** of the line.