

## Reflect

### Answer the Qs in the margin.

How did the first Americans migrate from Asia?

How did Native American culture differ from European?

Why would agriculture have led to the growth of civilization?

Why did the Renaissance change Europe in this time frame?

**Guiding Thought: What were the causes and effects of European arrival in the Americas?**

# *Ch.1: Many Cultures Meet*

**The first Americans migrated from Asia between 40,000 and 15,000 years ago.**

- Some scientists believe they crossed a land bridge over the ..... Strait.
- Others believe they came by ..... along the Pacific coast.
- American Indians ..... throughout the different landscapes of North and South America.

**Culturally diverse Native Americans shared several characteristics:**

- They lived in extended family groups called .....
- Clans identified with spirits of powerful .....
- American Indians believed powerful spiritual forces were part of .....

**Agriculture led to the growth of civilizations.**

- Indians of Central ..... cultivated squash, corn, and beans 3,500 years ago.
- Expanded ..... supplies led to towns and cities under powerful chiefs.

**Between the 14th and 16th centuries, Europe was changed by the Renaissance.**

- ..... advances and an increase in economic wealth gave rise to voyages of exploration.
- Economic wealth led to voyages of exploration as monarchs sought ..... from Asia and Africa.

**The Middle Passage**

- ..... mariners rounded the southern tip of Africa and eventually reached India.
- But on the way, some mariners stopped to ..... with West African nations.
- They sought gold and salt, and they ..... Africans.
- Between 1500 and 1800, ..... million slaves crossed the Atlantic, a trip known as the **Middle Passage**.

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Why do you think that Columbus wanted to find an alternative route to Asia? What was there that he wanted?

Describe the Columbian Exchange in your own words.

### Christopher Columbus

- In 1492, Italian mariner Christopher Columbus sailed westward for Spain seeking an alternative ..... to Asia.
- Although he landed in the Caribbean, he believed the islands were the ..... He called the natives Indians.
- Europeans converted the Indians to Christianity, took their ....., and enslaved them.

### Spanish Conquistadores

Spanish conquistadores established an ..... around the Caribbean and in Central and South America.

1519–21

Hernán ..... defeated the Aztecs.

1513

Juan Ponce de Leon explored .....

1539–42

Hernando ..... explored parts of the Southeast to the Mississippi River.

### Columbian Exchange

- The .....of plants, animals, tools, diseases, and ideas between Europe and the Americas after 1492 is called the Columbian Exchange.
- ..... such as pigs, horses, mules, sheep and cattle were introduced to the Americas.
- Europeans diversified their own ....., adopting Indian crops such as maize and potatoes.

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SUMMARY- Summarize your notes:

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