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Conquistadors & Slavery - Answer Key

Read each question and circle the correct answer.

1. In what year did Conquistadors land in the New World?

- A. 1455
- ☒ B. 1519
- C. 1585
- D. 1619

2. Civilizations in the New World were {} when Conquistadors arrived.

- A. already crumbling
- ☒ C. highly advanced
- B. controlled by England
- D. nonexistent

3. What factors most inspired conquistadors to set sail?

- ☒ A. God, glory, and gold
- C. Tobacco, tomatoes, and tea
- B. Prison, pirates, and penance
- D. Measles, smallpox, and syphilis

4. Who was the Aztec emperor when Cortés arrived in the New World?

- A. Cuauhtémoc
- ☒ C. Montezuma
- B. Itzcoatl
- D. Moctezuma II

5. Which of these people served as Cortés's interpreter during his conquest of the Aztecs?

- ☒ A. Malinche
- C. Francisco Pizarro
- B. Ponce de León
- D. Montezuma

6. Cortés's conquest of the Aztecs inspired Francisco Pizarro to overtake the {}.

- ☒ A. Incas
- C. Seneca
- B. Maya
- D. Iroquois

7. {} set out to convert Indigenous people to Christianity.

- A. Naval units
- B. Merchants
- C. Doctors
- ☒ D. Missionaries

8. The {} facilitated the movement of goods and enslaved people between America, Europe, and Africa.

- A. transcontinental railroad
- ☒ B. triangular trade route
- C. Silk Road
- D. Panama Canal

9. The grueling journey enslaved people took from Africa to the Americas was known as the {}.

- A. Third Step
- B. Narrow Path
- C. Atlantic Stretch
- ☒ D. Middle Passage

10. Which of these was NOT a result of the arrival of Conquistadors in the New World?

- A. Mass death due to germs and disease
- ☒ B. The establishment of a Mesoamerican-Spanish alliance
- C. The downfall of several highly advanced civilizations
- D. Increased trade of crops, raw materials, and enslaved people