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Latin American Revolutions - Answer Key

Read each question and circle the correct answer.

1. Which country colonized much of Central and South America?

- A. Britain
- ☒ B. Spain
- C. France
- D. Germany

2. Early Latin American independence movements were led by {}, a Venezuelan military hero.

- ☒ A. Simón Bolívar
- B. Toussaint L'Ouverture
- C. Miguel Hidalgo
- D. José de San Martín

3. After decolonization, Latin Americans of European descent {}.

- A. stepped down from the government
- B. migrated en masse back to Europe
- C. forcibly surrendered their assets
- ☒ D. retained their wealth and power

4. Which of the following sparked the Mexican Revolution?

- A. The killing of a group of peaceful protesters
- ☒ B. The release of a treatise condemning the president
- C. The resignation of the president
- D. The passage of a new constitution

5. Which of the following best describes the Mexican constitution at the time of its passage?

- A. Reactionary
- B. Conservative
- ☒ C. Progressive
- D. Rudimentary

6. By renouncing its right-wing faction, the Bolivian MNR earned critical support from {}.

- ☒ A. mine workers
- B. landowners
- C. sharecroppers
- D. merchants

7. Which of the following were achievements of the MNR?

- A. The abolition of literacy requirements for voting
- B. The nationalization of mining companies
- C. The redistribution of land to peasants
- ☒ D. All of the above

8. As dictator of Cuba, Fulgencio Batista { }.

- A. held elections every four years
- ☒ B. allied himself with plantation owners
- C. drafted a new national constitution
- D. led a successful literacy program

9. Fidel Castro utilized { } tactics in his campaign against the Batista government.

- ☒ A. guerrilla
- B. cavalry
- C. hit-and-run
- D. infiltration

10. Castro's decades-long rule was marked by which of the following?

- A. Economic prosperity
- B. Privatization of industry
- ☒ C. Mass emigration
- D. Democratic development