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Latin America

1. How did the Mayas, Aztecs, and Inca contribute to pre-Columbian society in Latin America? (Pre-Columbian means before Columbus arrived).

2. Who were the **conquistadors** and what do they have to do with Latin America?

3. Explain the **cultural convergence** in Latin America.

4. What is a **caudillo**? Why wasn’t democracy established when many Latin American countries declared independence from Spain?

5. Explain the revolution that happened in:

Mexico Cuba

6. Define **pampas**.

7. How were the Andes Mountains formed? Along which coast of South America do they run?

8. Describe the Amazon Lowlands.

9. Describe the different climates in Latin America. What types of natural storms/disasters do Latin Americans have to worry about?

10. What are the different types of ecosystems in Latin America? Describe each one.

11. What is the difference between a **mestizo** and a **mulatto**?

12. How do you think that Africans got to Latin America?

13. Use the map on page 213. Are most South American cities located near the coast or in the interior of the continent? Why do you think this is?

14. How do you think diversity affects culture in Latin America?

15. What have traditionally been the main economic activities in Latin American countries?

16. What are some of the new economic activities occurring in this part of the world?

17. What effect might agricultural expansion have on the Amazon rainforest?