

Chapter 12: The Geography and History of Latin America**Quick Review**

Directions: For each question, write the letter of the correct answer on the line provided.

- _____ 1. What is the largest river in the world if measuring by fresh water?
- Amazon
 - Congo
 - Mississippi
 - Nile
- _____ 2. What mountain range dominates western South America?
- Andes
 - Appalachians
 - Brazilian Highlands
 - Sierra Madre
- _____ 3. What is the predominant religion in Latin America?
- Baptist
 - Church of Latter Day Saints
 - Islam
 - Roman Catholic
- _____ 4. Which country conquered and colonized most of Latin America?
- Britain
 - France
 - Portugal
 - Spain
- _____ 5. Which term means “the transfer of plants, ideas, animals, and diseases between Europe and the Americas”?
- Christian Exchange
 - Columbian Exchange
 - European Exchange
 - Slave Trade
- _____ 6. Which was not a major civilization of Mesoamerica prior to the arrival of Europeans?
- Aztec
 - Cherokee
 - Inca
 - Maya
- _____ 7. What continent were slaves brought from to work in Latin American colonies?
- Africa
 - Asia
 - Europe
 - North America

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- _____ 8. In general, what led to the devastation of the indigenous (native) peoples of Latin America?
- diseases
 - slavery
 - warfare
 - all of the above
- _____ 9. What was the result of revolutions in the 19th century?
- Empires grew at even faster rates.
 - Empires shrank but remained in power.
 - Independent nations began to form in Latin America.
 - Spain lost colonies, but Portugal still controls Brazil today.
- _____ 10. What were the primary forms of government in independent nations in Latin America?
- autocracies, primarily military dictatorships
 - democracies, primarily parliamentary democracies
 - monarchies, rule by one king or queen by right of birth
 - oligarchies, communist regimes with centralized power
- _____ 11. According to the text, what are two important issues facing Latin America today?
- poverty and the war on drugs
 - HIV/AIDS and infant mortality
 - drug cartels and reduced crop yields
 - women's rights and the pet population
- _____ 12. Which of the following is one reason for mass migration to the United States?
- Latin American wealth and stability
 - Latin American religion and child welfare
 - Latin American dictatorships and oppression
 - Latin American transportation and infrastructure
- _____ 13. What country is the primary supplier of illicit (illegal) drugs to the western world?
- Brazil
 - Colombia
 - Cuba
 - Mexico

