**Study Guide for Latin American History**

1. Which two European countries contributed most to the languages of Latin America?
2. What was the name for soldier-explorers sent to the Americas to *conquer* land for Spain?
3. What explorer landed on the island of Hispaniola in 1492?
4. How did influenza, measles, smallpox, and typhoid fever affect the population of the Americas?
5. Which modern day country is where the Aztec Empire was mainly located?
6. What was the capital of the Aztec Empire? (Today it is called Mexico City.)
7. Who was the leader of the Aztec that welcomed a Spanish conquistador in with open arms?
8. Who was the Spanish conquistador who defeated the Aztec?
9. Why did Montezuma not attack the invading Spaniards right away?
10. How did the Spanish explorers defeat the Aztec?
11. What were the accomplishments of the Incan civilization?
12. Which physical feature of Latin America is where the Inca Empire was located? What countries did the Incan empire occupy?
13. Who was the leader of the Incas when a Spanish conquistador came to conquer for gold, glory, and to spread god (Christianity)?
14. Who was the Spanish conquistador who defeated the Inca?
15. How did this conquistador (from the question above) conquer the Inca?
16. What was the Columbian Exchange?
17. What types of items did Latin America produce during the Columbian Exchange?
18. List at least 5 North or South American food crops that became popular in Europe.
19. How did Europe benefit from the Columbian Exchange?
20. Which Old World animal helped Native Americans hunt and trade over a larger area?
21. What is the main effect of slavery that still influences Latin America today?
22. Who won freedom for present-day Venezuela, Colombia, and Ecuador?
23. How did Toussaint L’Ouverture impact history?
24. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ was known as the father of independence for Mexico.
25. Who led a revolution in Cuba in 1959?
26. What type of government was created in Cuba after the 1959 revolution?
27. Who are the Zapatistas?