

**AP US HISTORY  
MR. PRINTZ  
CHAPTER 1 OUTLINE**

**PRIOR KNOWLEDGE NEEDED:**

- The Causes of the Christian Crusades and the social and economic impact it had on the western world.
- The causes and impact of the Spanish Inquisition
- The causes and impact of the Scientific Revolution

**KEY TERMS:**

Pangea, Hiawatha, Cahokia, Iroquois Confederation, Marco Polo's exploration, Caravel, Indies, Dark Continent, Infidel Muslim Moors, Renaissance, Scientific Revolution, Columbian Exchange, Conquistador, Encomienda System, Reconquista, mestizo, Noche Triste, Dia de la Raza, Pope's rebellion, missions, Black Legend, Treaty of Tordesillas.

**KEY HISTORICAL FIGURES:**

Cortez, Pizarro, Leon, Balboa, Coronado, Magellan, Vespucci, La Salle, Columbus, Isabella and Ferdinand.

**KEY TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:**

- How was the Discovery of maize revolutionary?
- How did Eastern Native American society differ?
- How did the Crusades influence the Age of Exploration? The slave trade?
- Consider the geographic locations of the Spanish colonies depicted in the map in "AP", how did that influence the development of the Spanish colonies?
- How did religious tensions in Spain help shape its colonial desires?
- What is the lasting social impact of the encomienda system?

**OUTSIDE SOURCES:**

***Zinn Ch. 1 Key Topics for Discussion***

- What are the revelations Zinn offers that might be contrary to history you have been taught before about Columbus?
- What is the point about Morison's historiography starting on page 8 that Zinn tries to make? What is the impact of that upon our study of history?
- What is the impact of the findings of Bartolome' de las Casas?
- Compare the stories of Cortes and Pizarro to that of Jamestown and New England in terms of their Native American tactics and relationship?
- What is the potential thesis that Zinn offers on page 17? How valid is it?
- What was Native American culture like here in the western world?

***Nash handout Key Topics for Discussion***

- How and why did the Spanish carry out the invasion, conquest, and government of their western colonies? What was the impact of Pope's rebellion?
- What was the Spanish involvement in California and its impact?