Chapter 24 Study Questions

- What is the significance of the figure of Dona Marina to modern Mexico?
- How was such a small Spanish force able to bring down the Aztec empire? What similarities and differences occurred with the conquest of the Inca in Peru?
- How would you contrast the way indigenous peoples were treated by the Spanish in Mexico, the Portuguese in Brazil, and the French and British in North America?
- What role did religion play in European conquest in the New World? How much of a motivation was converting indigenous people to Christianity?
- What was the social structure like in the Spanish New World colonies?
- What were some of the key commodities enriched the European colonies in the New World?
- What were some of the differing systems of labor that were used in the New World colonies?

Chapter 24 Key Names & Terms

- Dona Marina/Malintzin (c. 1496 – c. 1551)
- Taíno
- encomienda
- smallpox
- conquistadores
- Hernan Cortés (1485-1547)
- Motecuzoma II (c. 1466 – June 1520)
- Tenochtitlan
- Francisco Pizarro (c. 1471 – 1541)
- Huáscar (1491 – 1533)
- Atahualpa (1497 – 1533)
- viceroy
- audiencias
- Treaty of Tordesillas (1494)
- Jamestown (1607)
- Quebec (1608)
- New Amsterdam (1623)
- Massachusetts Bay Colony (1630)
- New York (1664)
- mestizos
- peninsulares
- criollos
- zambos
- mita system
- engenho
- métis
- indentured servitude
- mita system
- hacienda
- Virgin of Guadalupe (1531)
- Felipe Guaman Poma de Ayala (c. 1535 – 1609)
- Botany Bay (1788)
- Captain James Cook (1728 – 1779)