

The American Yawp

Chapter 1 – American Origins

Quiz

1. At the time of Spanish arrival, Tenochtitlán had approximately how many buildings?
 - a. 70,000
 - b. 500
 - c. 1,000
 - d. 5,000
2. Which animal figured prominently in the Ute creation story?
 - a. Coyote
 - b. Eagle
 - c. Beaver
 - d. Turtle
3. Archaeological evidence points to settlements in both Central Texas and the eastern shore of Maryland around _____ years ago
 - a. 14,500
 - b. 12,000
 - c. 10,000
 - d. 9,500
4. By the end of the 15th century, the population of North America was approximately how many people?
 - a. 40 million
 - b. 4 million
 - c. 14 million
 - d. 400 million
5. Which of the following best describes the political structure of the agricultural site called Anaem Omot in northern Wisconsin?
 - a. Individual families in a largely decentralized egalitarian society
 - b. A hierarchical empire dependent upon subjugating rival nations
 - c. A matriarchal confederation of six distinct nations with their own various political structures
 - d. Seasonal elections appointed chieftains who wielded extensive but short-lived power
6. About 8,700 years ago, Mayans became among the first Indigenous Americans to cultivate maize. At what point did maize spread to the Gulf Coast?
 - a. 6,000 years ago
 - b. 8,000 years ago
 - c. 4,000 years ago
 - d. 2,500 years ago
7. What is the name of the food that consisted of pounded and dried bison meat mixed with fat and berries?
 - a. pemmican
 - b. maize

- c. hard tack
- d. prickly pear

8. What was the name of the largest city in pre-Columbian North America?

- a. Cahokia
- b. Pueblo Bonito
- c. Turtle Island
- d. Poverty Point

9. Where did the Lady of Cofitachequi rule?

- a. lands between the future Carolinas and the lower Mississippi River
- b. The southern half of the Florida Peninsula
- c. Chaco Canyon
- d. Coastal communities along the northern Pacific rim

10. What was the name of the woman from the Erie nation who offered Peacemaker important, early support?

- a. Jigonhasse
- b. Pocahontas
- c. Sacajawea
- d. Hiawatha