

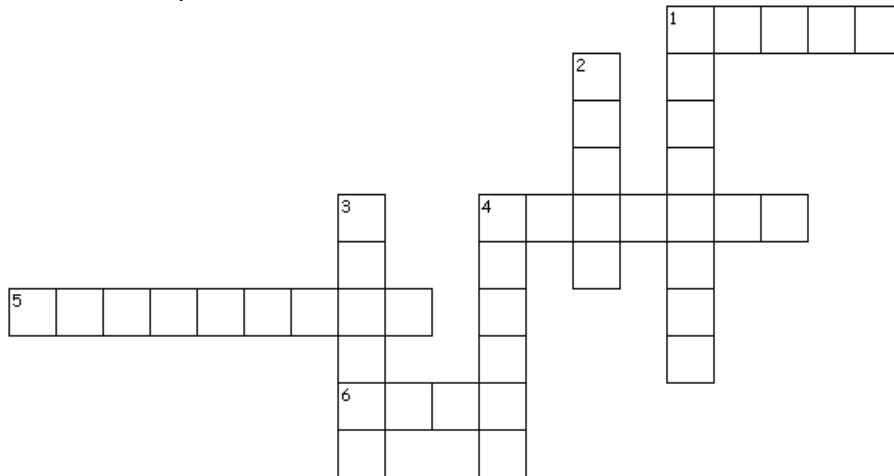
## Chapter 2 Conquest of the New World

### Hernán Cortés

1. Fill in the blanks. (pgs 25 – 33)

- a. A conquistador is a \_\_\_\_\_ adventurer who wanted to conquer the New World for \_\_\_\_\_.
- b. One of these conquistadors was \_\_\_\_\_, who had been a wild young man.
- c. Cortés set sail with \_\_\_\_\_ ships and more than \_\_\_\_\_ soldiers and sailors. Cortés was eager to win honor for himself and to find gold, and he also saw himself as a kind of \_\_\_\_\_.
- d. When Cortés and the fleet landed in Mexico in \_\_\_\_\_, they found that the Indians of this land lived in cities surrounded by fields of \_\_\_\_\_ and had houses made of \_\_\_\_\_.
- e. The Indians would have destroyed the Spaniards had it not been for their \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- f. The Aztecs' religion was ugly and \_\_\_\_\_. Aztec priests offered up numerous human \_\_\_\_\_ to their gods.
- g. Cortés had decided to stay in Mexico and conquer King \_\_\_\_\_'s mighty city. Cortés ordered the \_\_\_\_\_ of all but one of their own ships. Seeing their commander's bravery, most of the army clamored, " \_\_\_\_\_!"

2. Complete the crossword puzzle.



**Across**

1. Cortés left \_\_\_\_\_ de Alvarado in charge and went to the coast to fight Velazquez’s army.
4. *La Noche Triste* means Night of \_\_\_\_\_.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ was the king of the Aztec people.
6. *Tenochtitlán* was built in the middle of a \_\_\_\_\_.

**Down**

1. Though he was Cortés’s \_\_\_\_\_, Montezuma still acted as king of *Tenochtitlán*.
2. According to legend, *Quetzalcoatl* had white skin and a flowing \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Cortez and his men captured the \_\_\_\_\_ where many men, women and children had been sacrificed.
4. After Cortez’s return there was a battle and the Aztec people threw \_\_\_\_\_ at their king, who soon died.

3. Trace and shade the territory of the Aztec people:



## The Conquest of Mexico

*True or false? (pgs 33 – 34)*

- a. [ \_\_\_\_\_ ] Cortés ordered the building of small ships so that *Tenochtitlán* could be attacked from the lake. About seven months after the Night of Sorrows, Cortés was ready to return.
- b. [ \_\_\_\_\_ ] Three days after Easter, in 1520, the Spanish began their long, hard return to the city of *Tenochtitlán*.
- c. [ \_\_\_\_\_ ] Between December 31, 1520, and April 1521, Cortés’s armies conquered the cities that surrounded the lake of *Tenochtitlán*.
- d. [ \_\_\_\_\_ ] By capturing the land bridges to the city and sending out his small ships to patrol the lake around the city, Cortés had completely encircled *Tenochtitlán* by May.
- e. [ \_\_\_\_\_ ] For three months the Portuguese slowly pushed their way into the city.
- f. [ \_\_\_\_\_ ] Though they suffered from hunger and sickness, the new king, Guatemozín, and his people refused to surrender.
- g. [ \_\_\_\_\_ ] The Aztecs were finally defeated by the Spanish and their Indian allies. King Guatemozín successfully escaped by canoe across the lake.

## The Rebuilding of Mexico

*Draw a picture of Cortés, who was revered as a powerful man, kneeling and kissing the hands of the poor and humble Franciscan friars who wore rough, hooded habits and carried a wooden cross. Don’t forget the astonished faces of the Aztec Indians who still didn’t know about the love of God. (pgs 35- 36)*



## The Quest for the Cities of Gold

Match the historical character to the correct description. (pgs 36 – 40)

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|---------------------|-----|--|
| A. Pizarro          | [ ] | another Indian king as powerful as Montezuma |
| B. Apalachee        | [ ] | Spanish adventurer                           |
| C. Luis de Moscoso  | [ ] | new leader of de Soto's men                  |
| D. Hernando de Soto | [ ] | Pizarro's second-in-command                  |
| E. the Inca         | [ ] | fierce Florida Indians                       |

## The Seven Cities of Cibola

Match the numbers on the map with the correct geographical locations explored by de Soto and Coronado. (pgs 40 – 43)

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|-----|-------------------|-----|--------------|
| [ ] | Mississippi River | [ ] | Gila River   |
| [ ] | Rio Grande        | [ ] | Grand Canyon |

