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Conquistadors Web Search 1 – The Inca	Period	Date

This worksheet is designed to complement the PBS web site *Conquistadors*, available at http://www.pbs.org/opb/conquistadors/home.htm.

Part A. **Home Page:** Refer to the map of the "New World" on the *Conquistadors* home page. There are four linked icons of Native Americans representing the indigenous people of North America, Mexico, Amazonia (the Amazon River basin) and Peru. Explore the links to complete the following chart:

Region	Name of Indigenous people	Name of Conquistador
North America (Galveston, TX)		
Mexico		
Amazon River	1000 different tribes	
Peru		

Part B. **Characters:** Use the *Timeline of the Conquest* to match each of the Conquistadors below with the best description from the list on the right:

 1. Cristoforo Colombo	a. He finds and crosses the Mississippi River
 2. Hernando Cortes	b. Came in contact with Taino tribe in 1492
 3. Francisco Pizzaro	c. His expedition: from Florida to Texas and northern Mexico
 4. Leif Ericsson	d. Reaches Brazil and claims it for Portugal
 5. Hernando de Soto	e. Explores Gulf of the St. Lawrence River; claims for France
 6. Cabeza de Vaca	f. Norse seaman who started a colony in Greenland
 7. Jacques Cartier	g. Conquered the Inca people in South America
 8. Pedro Alvarez Cabral	h. Follows the Amazon R. across S. America to the Atlantic
 9. El Requirimento	i. Conquered the Aztec people in Mexico
 10. Francisco de Orellana	k. Proclamation announced by arriving conquistadors

Part C – Short Answer – Explore the section on the Incan Empire of Peru and answer the following questions:

Growth of the Incan Empire

- 1. According to the Inca Creation myth, from what substance were men and women created?
- 2. Who was the main god of the Incas? What element of Nature did he represent?
- 3. What are *huacas*?
- 4. What modern-day countries include land once part of the Inca Empire?
- 5. Who was the Sapa Inca? What was unusual about his clothing?
- 6. What was the capital of the Inca Empire? What was its nickname?
- 7. What was the main source of meat for the Incas?
- 8. What is the Inca word that the Incas use to refer to themselves?
- 9. What animal did the Incas use as a pack animal?
- 10. Why were workers given coca leaves to chew?

Beginning of the End

- 11. Who had been the Sapa Inca since 1548?
- 12. From which disease did he die?
- 13. One hundred years after the Spanish arrived in Peru, what percent of the original 9-12 million Inca population died?
- 14. Which two sons began a civil war over who should become the new Sapa Inca?
- 15. Who was the Sapa Inca when Pizarro arrived in Peru?