

## Chapter 14: Exploration

## Reading Questions

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**p. 368-371**

**2 points**

1. List the motives behind European exploration and expansion.
2. What new technologies/innovations allowed European explorations of the world?

**p. 371-379**

**8 points**

3. What were the Portuguese seeking as they explored the African coast?
4. PD373 and text – Why were the spice traders seeking a European monopoly on the trade?
5. What allowed the Portuguese to dominate the Asian spice trade?
6. How quickly did other countries build on Columbus's voyage?
7. PD375 – Describe how Columbus viewed the natives.
8. How were the Europeans able to conquer the indigenous American civilizations?
9. PD379 – How does Las Casas describe the treatment of the natives by the Spanish? What about his past would have made him especially sensitive to such treatment?
10. Describe how the Spanish ran their enormous empire.

**p. 380-391**

**9 points**

11. Why did slavery of Africans begin and increase?
12. PD381 – Aside from the act of enslavement itself, what hardships did slaves encounter?
13. How did the Europeans acquire slaves in Africa?
14. What were the costs of the slave trade on African society?
15. What caused the Portuguese to lose control of the Asian spice markets?
16. Describe the impact of European trading power on Asian nations.
17. PD386 – What is King Louis of France trying to get, and what is the king of Tonkin's answer?
18. PD387 and text – How does the Chinese Emperor respond to requests for trade, and what does Europe do about it?
19. How did Japan respond to increasing European control?

**p. 391-393**

**5 points**

20. Inflation is when prices increase relative to wages. How did inflation affect European workers?
21. How did people make money from joint-stock companies?
22. Besides joint-stock investment, how did banking change in the Renaissance?
23. What were the goals of mercantilism?
24. How did the mercantilist theory affect trade?

**p. 393-398**

**5 points**

25. Contrast the effects of European exploration/trade in Africa/Asia with its effects on Central/South America.
26. PD394 – Describe life under the Jesuit order in one of their villages. Include an explanation of its effect on the Natives.
27. What types of buildings did missionaries build for communities?
28. Why were Christian missionaries more successful in China than Japan?
29. How did the conquest of America change the conquerors and their countries?