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Ch. 16 – The Early Americas – Study Guide

Label the map below by shading in the location of each of the three empires in this chapter, using a different color for each empire. Also write the name of the empire in or near the shaded area.



MAYA

Location & Geography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mesoamerica – • Yucatán Peninsula – • Maize –
Government & Economy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pacal – • Palenque – • Jade – • Obsidian – • Cacao –
Culture & Religion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Describe Maya social structure – • Describe the Mayan religion –
Other Important Info.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Observatories – • Maya calendar – • What happened to the Maya?

	AZTECS	INCAS
Location & Geography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Causeways – • Describe location of the Aztecs – 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Andes Mountains – • Describe location of the Incas –
Government & Economy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moctezuma II (Montezuma) – • Tenochtitlán – • What was the most important part of the Aztec economy? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Atahualpa – • Cuzco – • Machu Picchu – • What were “quipus” used for?
Culture & Religion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Describe Aztec social structure – • Describe the Aztec religion – 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Describe Inca social structure – • Describe the Inca religion –
Other Important Info.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conquistadors – • Hernán Cortés – • What happened to the Aztecs? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Terraced hillsides – • Francisco Pizarro – • What happened to the Incas?