1. Which word best describes how the conquistadors treated the people they conquered?
A. Fairly  
B. Cruelly  
C. Generously  
D. Indifferently

2. What can you infer about the conquistadors from the fact that most of them came from humble backgrounds?
A. They were not very loyal to the king of Spain  
B. They were not allowed to join the Catholic Church  
C. They were not well-educated  
D. They had no interest in gold and riches

3. Which of the following items did Europeans have, and Native Americans lack?
A. Kings  
B. Religion  
C. Weapons  
D. Horses

4. Why would the conquistadors bring this man with them to the Americas?
A. To help the Spaniards hold religious services  
B. To perform weddings between Spanish soldiers and native women  
C. To teach the Spanish soldiers about Christianity  
D. To convert the native peoples to Christianity

5. Why did the king of Spain want so much gold and land?
A. He wanted to make the conquistadors rich and powerful  
B. He wanted to dominate other European empires  
C. He wanted to build expensive new palaces  
D. He wanted to impress female suitors

6. Encomiendas were most similar to:
A. Slave plantations in the old American South  
B. Large factory farms in the American Midwest  
C. Collective farms in the old Soviet Union  
D. Rice paddies in Southeast Asia

7. Why do so many people in Latin America speak Spanish or Portuguese?
A. They are subjects of the kings of Spain and Portugal  
B. They are descended from Spanish and Portuguese conquistadors  
C. They are immigrants from Spain and Portugal  
D. Their countries were once Spanish or Portuguese colonies

8. Why did smallpox kill so many of the natives in the Americas, but so few conquistadors?
A. The conquistadors had been vaccinated against smallpox  
B. The natives had never been exposed to European diseases  
C. The natives had poor hygiene, while the Spanish were very clean  
D. The smallpox virus was designed to only infect native populations

9. If a Native American society refused to convert to Christianity, what would usually happen to them?
A. They’d be destroyed  
B. They’d be allowed to worship their traditional gods  
C. They’d be forced to attend religious education classes  
D. They’d be allowed to convert to Judaism instead

10. What is one lasting result of the Spanish colonization of Latin America?
A. Spain still controls most of Latin America  
B. The encomienda system is still thriving in many Latin American countries  
C. Most people in Latin America still belong to the Roman Catholic Church  
D. Slavery and murder are still legal in most Latin American countries