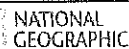


National Geographic – America Before Columbus



Directions: Answer the following questions while viewing the video.

1) What are the names of Columbus' ships?

Nina, Pinta, and Santa Maria

2) What was the purpose of Christopher Columbus' voyage?

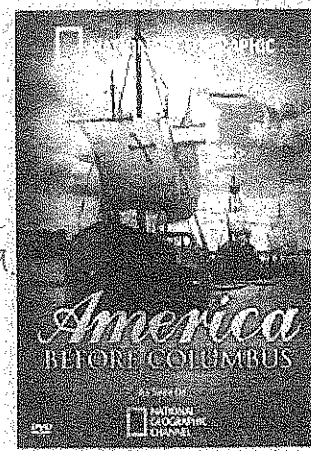
Land in Europe is over worked and lacking natural resources. Also wanted a trade

3) What goods were being sold through the Silk Road? route to Asia?

Spices and Silk from Asia

4) What were some of the reasons (or innovations) that allowed Europe's population to reach over 100 million people?

Wind and water power
Domesticated Animals - Sheep, goats, cows, horses, pigs



5) What is the name of great city, built by the mound builders? What is known about them?

Mississippians - mound builders
Kohoka - large city/great city
mounds are city centers/religious they were excellent farmers.

6) What staple crop, developed by genetic engineering, helped the mound builders to prosper?

Corn - allowed them to stay in one place, wherever corn grows people flourish.

7) What crop helped the Inca to prosper without corn, as it would not grow in the high altitudes?

Potato - lots of varieties. Native to the Americas

8) How were they able to grow this crop? (How did they alter the landscape?)

They created Terrace Farms - step like plant beds built into the mountain side

9) What is the biggest domestic mammal in the Americas, before Columbus?

Llama - used by Inca
Turkey - used by Aztec

10) Why were there no domesticated animals in North America?

biggest mammals went extinct during last ice age.

11) What is the most important animal to the Native Americans?

Buffalo

12) How did the Native Americans hunt these animals?

Set forest on fire to encourage grass growth. Brings mammals to them easier to hunt when forest is open

13) How was hunting different for the Europeans?

Europeans - use guns, horses, and dogs only the upper class allowed to hunt.

Native Americans - Hunt on Foot. Use a bow and arrow