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6th Grade Social Studies

**Mesoamerican Civilizations: Maya, Inca, & Aztec Quiz - 20 Points**

*Please read all questions carefully and answer with care.*

**Part One: Multiple Choice & True/False - 1 point each**

1. Societies were organized in Maya culture as large areas. The name given to this large area was:
   A. continent
   B. state
   C. city-state
   D. regime

2. Maya believed in (circle all that apply)
   A. More than 1 god
   B. Only 1 god
   C. Sacrificing humans/blood
   D. Gods prevent disasters

3. True or False: The Mayans developed a 365 day calendar that inspired us to do the same.
   A. True
   B. False

4. Which of the following is believed to contribute to the downfall of the Maya? Circle all that apply.
   A. Conquerers from Spain
   B. Food shortages
   C. Fights with the Aztecs
   D. Alien invasion

5. Agriculture, a main element of Aztec living, refers to
   A. farming
   B. attacking neighboring tribes
   C. worshiping emperors
   D. storing food

6. The large region where both the Aztec and Maya were located is known as
   A. South America
   B. North America
   C. Mesoamerica
7. Which of the following elements make up religious beliefs for the Aztec? Circle all that apply.
   A. Multiple gods to worship
   B. Sacrifices would please the gods
   C. Religion should not be taken seriously among the Aztec

8. Circle all of the reasons that support why the Aztecs fell:
   A. Hernan Cortes took over land
   B. Fights with the Incas
   C. Natural disasters took out the population

9. What is a causeway?
   A. Raised road over soggy ground (similar to a bridge)
   B. Modern day highway used for trucks
   C. The temples Aztec citizens worshipped in

10. True/False: The Inca were disorganized due to no road system.
    A. True
    B. False

11. Which conquistador conquered the Incas?
    A. Cortes
    B. Pizarro
    C. Washington
    D. Jufer

12. How do the Incans record their information?
    A. Written language
    B. Stone carvings
    C. Knotted cloth
    D. None of the above

13. Which animal was extremely important to the Incas?
    A. Elephants
    B. Llamas
    C. Cats
    D. Dogs

14. True/False: The Incans were weakened by Civil Wars.
    A. True
    B. False

15. True/False: The Incans were terrible at building,
    A. True
    B. False
Part Two: Short Response - 3 points

1. Please provide 3 specific reasons that explain why/how the Mayan, Incan, and Aztec civilizations were advanced.

2. Please select 2 of the 3 civilizations and explain one difference and one similarity between the 2.