

## Social Studies Review Sheet

### Unit 1 Snapshot: Early Beginnings

**Content:** The following areas of information will be on the test. THIS IS ONLY A GUIDE!

You should continue to STUDY YOUR NOTES!

ALL ANSWERS SHOULD BE DONE ON SEPARATE PAPER IN COMPLETE SENTENCES!

#### **Vocabulary:**

latitude      civilization      culture areas      mercantilism      persecute  
longitude      migrate      irrigate      representative government      northwest passage

#### **I. Early Civilizations**

- A. What do latitude lines measure? What do longitude lines measure? BE ABLE TO LOCATE ON A MAP USING LATITUDE and LONGITUDE COORDINATES.
- B. Explain historian's theory on how the earliest people came to inhabit North & South America.

#### **II. Early Empires**

- A. What was the Columbian Exchange? Why is this considered a turning point in history? List the positive & negative effects of the Columbian Exchange.
- B. List the accomplishments of the following Spanish conquistadors: **Cortes, Pizarro, Ponce de Leon, Coronado & De Soto.**
- C. Explain how the Conquistadors were able to defeat large civilizations of Native Americans. Why did the Spanish come to the New World to conquer?
- D. List the accomplishments of the following northwest passage explorers: **Cabot, Verrazano, Cartier, Hudson [1609 & 1610], Champlain, Marquette & Joliet & La Salle.**
- E. What were the contributions of **Peter Minuit** and **Peter Stuyvesant**?
- F. What are the names of the 4 European colonies in the New World?

#### **III. England's First Settlements**

- A. Explain why the first settlements at **Roanoke** failed.
- B. What were some of the problems experienced at Jamestown? Explain how these problems later solved. What was the importance of **tobacco** at Jamestown? What was the historical significance of the **House of Burgesses**?
- C. Who were the **Separatists**? Why did they leave England? What was the **Mayflower Compact** and what was it's historical significance? How were the Pilgrims able to survive in the New World?