



Conquistador Brain Box

Three conquistadors set out to discover new lands. Each conquistador arrives in a separate land, populated by different native peoples, in different years. Can you work out the name of the lands the conquistadors discovered, the year they were discovered, and which conquistador discovered them?

Read the clues and fill in the answer box below where you can. Then read the clues again and again until you find the answer.



1. Christopher Columbus was the first European to discover what is called the Bahamas today.
2. Álvar Núñez Cabeza de Vaca's ill-fated expedition began in 1528.
3. The Taino people were not native to Florida or New Mexico.
4. The Zuni people greeted Francisco Vazquez de Coronado's expedition 48 years after Columbus landed in the 'New World.'
5. Florida was the home of the native Appalachen people..

	1492	1528	1540
Land			
Conquistador			
Native People			





Coronado Expedition Analysis

After watching the 'Coronado and the Seven Cities of Cibola' video and using the video transcript, answer the questions below.

1. Why were European countries competing to control global trade?
2. Give the reasons why other conquistadors came to America after Columbus.
3. Compare the motivation for Europe's trade with Asia to the motivation for Spain's desire for riches in the Americas.
4. Describe the interactions between the Indians and the Spanish explorer Francisco Vásquez de Coronado's expedition.
5. Describe what motivated Spanish explorers to find the Seven Cities of Cibola. Compare their motivation to that of Europeans who had searched for a trade route to Asia.