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**Chapter 6 Latin America**

**Study Guide**

Latin America includes

* **Mexico**
* **Central America**
* **Caribbean Islands**
* **South America**

The Caribbean Islands were formed by

* **volcanic mountains**
* **coral reefs**

Shifting tectonic plates cause the formation of

* **volcanoes**
* **earthquakes**

Effects of deforestation

* **provide timber**
* **provide land for cattle ranches**
* **animals must move and/or may die**
* **Native Americans lose their land**
* **More carbon dioxide, less oxygen**

The Mayan calendar was based on **the movement of the sun**.

The Inca communicated by **runners carrying verbal messages**.

El Nino **warm Pacific Ocean current that causes heavy rain and flooding;**

**means “Christ Child”**

Hieroglyphs **the Maya’s written language that uses symbols**

Tributaries **rivers or streams that flow into a larger body of water; more than**

**1000 tributaries flow into the Amazon River**

Machu Picchu **an ancient city that is an example of Inca stonework**

Columbian Exchange **products traded between Spain and Latin America**

Chinampas **floating gardens built by the Aztec**

Andes **longest mountain range on Earth**

Montezuma **Aztec ruler who lost his empire to the Spanish**

Francisco Pizarro **Spanish explorer who conquered the Inca**

Tropical Zone **hot weather; Latin America is in this zone**

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| **ADVANCEMENTS** | | |
| **MAYA** | **AZTEC** | **INCA** |
| **Calendar based on movement of the sun**  **Written language using symbols**  **Understood concept of zero**  **Slash and burn** | **Great warriors**  **Built capitol on a marshy island where it could be easily defended**  **Floating gardens called chinampas** | **Verbal messages carried by runners**  **Built terraces for farming**  **Stone roads** |