

US History Chapter 1 - Atlantic World

I. Native American World - 40,000 years ago

- A. Settlement of the Americas**
 - 1. Land bridge
 - 2. By 1400s as many as 10 million people in US
- B. North American Life - How did geography affect development**
- C. Shared Customs and Beliefs**
 - 1. Kinship
 - 2. Clan
 - 3. Religion
 - 4. Oral history
- D. Trade and Land**
 - 1. Barter, land couldn't be owned

II. European World - God, Gold, Glory, sent Europeans out

- A. Early Middle Ages (500 AD to 1300 AD)**
 - 1. European invasions - Vikings, Franks, Muslims
 - 2. Feudalism - protection racket, kings, noble, knights, manor life
 - 3. Roman Catholic domination - Bible interpretation
- B. Late middle ages**
 - 1. Crusades (1096 - 1291) quest to free Holy Lands
 - a. Exposes Europeans to outside world
 - b. Trade picks up
 - 2. Growth of Cities - trade areas become cities
 - a. Creates middle class
 - b. Revives money economy
 - c. Breakdown of feudal system
 - 3. Rise of Monarchs/nation states (P.11)
 - 4. Rise of Universities, Knowledge equals power
 - 5. Black Death (1300s) slows growth
- C. Renaissance - 1300s to 1500s - Rebirth**
 - 1. Pursuit of Knowledge
 - 2. Golden age of art
 - 3. Printing Press
 - 4. Reformation (1517)
 - 5. Competition on the seas