

## **Guns, Germs, & Steel - Ep. 2 "Conquest"**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Answer questions as you watch

1. Finish this quote that summarizes Jared Diamond's theory: "What separates the winners from the losers is the \_\_\_\_\_."

2. Where did agriculture first develop? Where did it spread over time?

3. By the 16th century, European farms were dominated by livestock that had come from where?

How many of these animals were native to Europe? \_\_\_\_\_.

What did these livestock animals provide Europe?

4. What various factors were missing from the New World that would have aided farming? (2)

5. What was the only large animal the New World had? Why was it not helpful to farming?

6. What advantages did horses give people?

7. How had being at war for 700 years benefited their role as conquistadors?

8. What factors allowed Europeans the ability to make high quality swords? (2)

9. What made the conquistadores go through all their hardships?

10. What disadvantages did the Spaniards face in South America?

11. How did Cortes conquer Mexico? How did this impact Pizarro?

12. What three innovations helped the development of writing? How did Europe obtain these innovations?

13. Why did things like writing spread easily between Europe and Asia? Why did this not happen in the Americas?

14. In terms of geography, what were the key differences between people of the Andes and Pizarro and his men?
  
15. Why did Atahualpa send his soldiers unarmed to Cajamarca?
  
16. From what source did the killer diseases evolve in Afro-Eurasia?
  
17. Why were the diseases so devastating to the Incas, but not Europeans?
  
18. Why did the Incas or other Native Americans not have any killer diseases of their own to pass on to the Europeans?
  
19. What percentage of Native Americans do some historians say we're killed by Old World diseases?
  
20. Under what conditions was Atahualpa allowed to remain in power and maintain his freedom?
  
21. How much gold did Atahualpa hand over to the Spaniards? \_\_\_\_\_ tons.  
How many pounds of gold is that? \_\_\_\_\_
  
22. What happened to Atahualpa when he was no longer useful to the Spaniards?
  
23. What other areas, using its geographic advantages, did Europe capture?

**Post Viewing Question:** How do the following help explain why Europe was able to dominate the Americas?

<b>Steel Weapons</b>	
<b>Horses</b>	
<b>Diseases</b>	
<b>Writing</b>	
<b>Crop Production</b>	