

Part 1: Facts Practice

1. In the top half of the page draw a timeline of Western Civilization with colors to symbolize the different branches of that culture, tick-marks to highlight the most important events, and the name of each culture at the end of the arrows. Below the diagram, give a brief description (just a few words—not full sentences) of each event whose date you have marked.

Part 2: Western Civilization

2. Choose between a tree and a family to describe Western civilization.

3. What kind of government did all of the European countries have when they sent their explorers into the world? What part of ancient history helps us understand why modern Western governments have more freedom?

Part 3: Mexico and the Iberosphere

4. How did the Spanish conquer the Aztec empire so easily?

5. What is the motto of the Ibersphere from its wars of independence? How is it different from the motto of America in its war of independence?

Part 4: Canada and the Anglosphere

6. Canada is a bi-lingual country created by two cultures. Which culture started it, and how? Which culture took over later, and how?

7. Why is it hard to say when Canada became independent? What are two of the main events in the story of Canadian independence?

8. What does it mean to say that Canada is a *post-imperial* culture?
