

Name _____ Date _____ Period _____ Class _____

Quaestio: _____

The Aztecs

- 1100s- The Aztecs migrated from _____ Mexico to the Southern valleys in search of new _____
- _____ says that the _____ instructed them to find an _____ perched on a _____ eating a _____, which would tell them where to _____
- They found this sign on a swampy _____ in the middle of a lake, but decided to build their _____ there anyway, using _____
- **Chinampas** = “ _____,” artificial _____ of farmland made of _____ piled on rafts and held in place with _____

Rise in Power

- 1420s- Aztecs became more _____ through an _____ with two neighbors, Texcoco and Tlacopan, which controlled a huge territory
- Aztecs ruled 500 city-states with about _____ people, and they were required to pay _____ (money paid by the conquered people to ruler) or be _____
- Conquered people were at times taken as _____ to the gods
- Emperor used _____ as _____ to prevent rebellions and trouble

The Decline

- 1502- New emperor _____ II began to lose control as people began to _____ against the unfair tribute and frequent human sacrifices
- While he tried to deal with the rebellions, the _____ arrived, and allied with the _____ to defeat the Aztec Empire