Regional Timeline/Outline for: Latin America

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	PERIOD 1, 2, & 3	PERIOD 4	PERIOD 5	PERIOD 6
	8000BCE-1450CE	1450-1750	1750-1900	1900-Present
Politics	- The leaders are related to divinity (priests) - Hierarchal system	Arrival of Cortes (1518) Annihilates existing political system Codified laws	- Colonization - Implement own government (Europeans immigrate) - Religion (Catholic) plays a strong influence in gov't	DecolonizationMajority rulesSeries of juntas/dictatorships
Economy	- Little trade - Internally based - Mostly agriculture - Large marketplaces	 Cortes – trading Encomiendas Haciendas Trade of crops Brought beasts of burden → improved agriculture 	- improved technology - dependent - Europe sucks natural resources/profits - monoculture	 Europe cannot maintain Monoculture Difficulty industrializing Heavily dependent on natural resources (Venezuela)
Social Class/Gender	- priests rules - hierarchal - patriarchal (though women appreciated)	- more hierarchal (by race) - depreciation of women (European influence) - New castes created (creoles, mestizos)	- Continued hierarchy	Society opens upMore egalitarianSome meritocracyExisting racism
Science/Inventions	- Calendar - No wheels - Road system - Chinampas	- medical advances (longer life span) - Wheel brought in (levers, pulleys) - Brought in writing system (for Incan empire)	 primitive anesthesia tools for probing, incision, organ extraction blood letting transfer of European inventions/influenced 	 innovation continued beginning industrialization extracting natural resources science/inventions gotten through trade
Art/Architecture	- step pyramids - Olmec giant heads - Religion-based	Western/religion (Christian based) artMix of original Spanish and Western art	- Same as 1450-1750	- Combination of European, indigenous, and Christian arts.
Empire	- Aztecs - Incas - Mayans - Toltecs, etc.	- decimated (guns, germs, steel) - Iberian rule - Treaty of Tordesillas (1494)	- Spanish/Portuguese empire - Portuguese King moves to Brazil - Some French influence	 split into many countries General Bolivar: legacy of anti- American, influenced many countries No strong institutions due to dependency
Religion	- Animism - Polytheism - Worship of nature, etc.	 West considered Gods Lose belief in previous Gods West brought Christianity Influenced (little syncretism: superstitions created) 	- Christianity heavily encouraged	Atheism agnostics increased Legacy of Catholicism Society more free to choose religion