

SECOND SEMESTER EXAM (2019/2020)**Level:** 1st year**Module:** Language Culture**Teacher:** BOULKHESSAIM Adel**Date:** Tuesday, November, 10 2020.**Time:** 08.30 am – 09.30 am**Duration:** 1h**FULL NAME:****GROUP:**

- 1/ Today's Americans like to think that many of the best values and attitudes of the modern United States can be traced back to the *Frontier* experiences of their pioneer ancestors. Explain 3pts
A special spirit, or attitude, grew out of this frontier way of life. People needed to be tough, independent and self-reliant. Yet they also needed to work together, helping each other with such tasks as clearing land and building houses and barns. The combination of these two ideas, a strong belief that individuals had to help themselves and a need for them to cooperate with one another strengthened the feeling that people were equal and that nobody should have special rights and privileges.
- 2/ Why did European geographers give the name America to the lands that Columbus and Leif Ericson discovered? 3pts
Because to the end of his life Columbus belief that his discoveries were part from Asia, the one who did the most to correct his mistaken idea was Amerigo Vespucci, the Italian Explorer who made two voyages of exploration following the route Columbus had followed. The voyages confirm the idea of Vespucci that the lands discovered by Columbus were the New World not parts from Asia. To honor Vespucci they name the lands after his first name and since all the continents had female names they started calling it America.
- 3/ What was the reason that led the Amerindians to stop wandering and follow a more settled way of life? 3pts
For many centuries early Amerindians lived as wandering hunters and gatherers of food, then a more settled way of life began. People living in highland areas of what is now Mexico found a wild grass with tiny seeds that were good to eat. These people became America's first farmers, they cultivated the wild grass with great care to make its seeds larger, eventually it became Indian corn, or maize.
- 4/ What do you know about the Saga of Leif Ericson. 3pts
Leif Ericson a Viking sailor from Iceland, the son of Eric the Red, the first king of the Vikings. Leif asked to spread Christianity outside Europe, he and his men sailed west toward the Atlantic ocean. They landed on a rocky land full of vines with grapes growing on them; he and his men call it after that Vinland the good. They built a settlement there but it disappear centuries after 1000 AD because of the hostility of local Amerindians, they left Vinland and the discovery was forgotten except by the Viking story tellers.
- 5/ Who are the Conquistadores? 2.5pts
Spanish warriors and fighters sailed to America looking for Gold and precious metals, in the 15's and 16's they destroyed the two wealthy cities of Inca and Aztec.
- 6/ When and how the distant ancestors of the Amerindians came to America? 2.5pts
This happened they said, during the Earth's last ice age, long before people began to make written records. At that time a bridge of ice joined Asia to America across what is now the Bering strait. Hunters from Siberia crossed this bridge into Alaska. From Alaska the hunters moved South and East across America.
- 7/ Name the Thirteen Colonies in respect to their division. 3pts
New England Colonies: *province of Massachusetts / New Hampshire / Rhode Island colony / Connecticut colony.*
Middle Colonies: *province of New York / province of New Jersey / Province of Pennsylvania / Delaware Colony.*
Southern Colonies: *province of Maryland / Colony of Virginia / province of North Carolina / province of South Carolina / province of Georgia.*

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