

READ THE DOCUMENT *COLUMBUS ....THE LEGACY* THEN ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS.

1. USE A DICTIONARY TO LOOK UP TERM (LEGACY) \_\_\_\_\_

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2. WHAT DOES LAS CASAS SAY COLUMBUS'S LEGACY WILL BE? \_\_\_\_\_

3. DEFINE (*GENOCIDE*) \_\_\_\_\_

4. IS THE EYEWITNESS ACCOUNT PRO-NATIVE OR PRO-SPANISH? \_\_\_\_\_

DISCUSS YOUR ANSWER \_\_\_\_\_

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5. WHERE IS THE EYEWITNESS FROM? \_\_\_\_\_

6. WHAT IS THE OCCUPATION OF THE EYEWITNESS? \_\_\_\_\_

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7. DEFINE (*INDIGENOUS*) \_\_\_\_\_

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8. WHAT IS THE INDIGENOUS POPULACE OF THIS DOCUMENT? \_\_\_\_\_

9. WHAT TWO WEAPONS DID THE SPANISH USE AGAINST INDIANS? \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_

10. LAS CASAS FAVORED A MORE HUMANE TREATMENT OF THE NATIVE POPULATION...THIS LED TO THE SPANISH LOOKING TO \_\_\_\_\_ TO FILL THE VOID WITH BLACK \_\_\_\_\_.



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IN THE YEARS AND CENTURIES SINCE THE HISTORICAL JOURNEY, PEOPLE STILL DEBATE THE LEGACY OF COLUMBUS'S VOYAGES. SOME ARGUE THEY WERE HEROIC FIRST STEPS IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF GREAT DEMOCRATIC SOCIETIES. OTHERS CLAIM THEY WERE THE BEGINNINGS OF AN ERA OF BLOODSHED, CRUELTY, ENSLAVEMENT, AND GENOCIDE.

**BARTOLOME DE LAS CASAS** A SPANISH MISSIONARY GAVE THIS EYEWITNESS ACCOUNT OF THE PERIOD. IN THIS STATEMENT HE WATCHED FELLOW SPANIARDS USE ATTACK DOGS ON NATIVE AMERICANS. HE PREDICTED THAT COLUMBUS'S LEGACY WOULD BE A DISASTER OF MAJOR PROPORTIONS FOR THE INDIGENOUS POPULATION OF THE NEW WORLD.

*“THEIR OTHER FRIGHTENING WEAPONS AFTER THE HORSES, TWENTY HUNTING GREYHOUNDS. THEY WERE UNLEASHED AND FELL ON THE INDIANS AT THE CRY OF TOMALO! (GET THEM) WITHIN AN HOUR THEY HAD PREYED ON ONE HUNDRED OF THEM. AS THE INDIANS WERE USED TO GOING COMPLETELY NAKED, IT IS EASY TO IMAGINE WHAT THE FIERCE GREYHOUNDS DID, URGED TO BITE NAKED BODIES AND SKIN MUCH MORE DELICATE THAN THAT OF WILD BOARS THEY WERE USE TO... THIS TACTIC, BEGUN HERE AND INVENTED BY THE DEVIL, SPREAD THROUGHOUT THESE INDIES WILL END WHEN THERE IS NO MORE LAND NOR PEOPLE TO SUBJUGATE AND DESTROY IN THIS PART OF THE WORLD”....*