

WORLD HISTORY
EARLY AFRICAN AND MESO-AMERICAN SOCIETIES
AZTEC NOTES

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Located in Mexico

- 1300-1600 A.D.
- Tenochtitlan – Capital & largest city (present day Mexico City) originally built on island in Lake Texcoco
- Warlike
- Religion very important
- Offered human sacrifices to the Sun God
- Conquered by Cortes & Spanish
- Created floating gardens called “chinampas”

- Created the tax system: this made them very rich b/c after they would conquer a region that region would pay taxes
- Had an army (allowed them to conquer many regions)
- Used irrigation to water crops
- Kept records using hieroglyphics
- Had Doctors (created over 1,000 medicines using plants)