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- Ancient Cultures in the Americas
  - Hunting and Gathering
  - Agriculture Develops
    - Maya, Aztec, and Inca Societies Flourish
    - Complex Societies Arise in North America

- Native American Societies of the 1400s
  - Diverse Peoples
  - Common Characteristics

- West African Societies of the 1400s
  - The Kingdom of Songhai
  - Kingdoms of Benin and Kongo
  - West African Culture
    - Trading Patterns with the Wider World
    - The Portuguese

- European Societies of the 1400s
  - The Social Hierarchy
  - Christianity Shapes the European Outlook
  - European Nations Take Shape
  - The Renaissance
    - Europe Enters a New Age of Expansion
    - Sailing Technology Improves