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• Ancient Cultures in the Americas

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