Mexico Questions

What are Chinampas?  
They are Floating Gardens

Who was the last emperor to rule Mexico before it became New Spain?  
Cuauhtemoc

What is the most important holiday the people of Mexico celebrate?  
El Grito-Mexican Independence Day

Name the Mexican president/dictator that was in power for a total of 35 years.  
Porfirio Diaz

There are between 10-14 million indigenous people in Mexico, of many different ethnic groups which consist of what percent of the population?  
0.098

In what state do the Yaqui reside?  
Sonora

Who created the Mesoamerican ball game?  
The Toltecs

What are encomiendas?  
A native area of land that was given to conquistadores

What was the date of “El Grito”-the cry of Dolores?  
September 16, 1810

When did the Mexican Revolution take place?  
From 1910-1920

Which tribe is regarded as the mother culture of Mexico?  
Olmec

Name the body of water that is located along the west coast of Mexico.  
The Pacific Ocean

The Spanish conquest of the Aztecs occurred between 1519-1521. What is the other name for this indigenous group?  
The Mexica (me-shee-ka)

What religion did the indigenous people convert to after being stripped of their own culture?  
Catholicism

What city in Mexico did El Grito de la independencia take place?  
From the small town of Dolores Hidalgo, near Guanajuato

Who ran against Porfirio Diaz in the campaign of 1910?  
Francisco I. Madero

Name one of the six Mexican states that border the U.S.  
Baja California, Sonora, Chihuahua, Coahuila, Nuevo Leon, Tamaulipas

Name of the one of the two peninsulas in Mexico?  
Baja or Yucatan
Before the conquest, what was the name of the most thriving city in Mexico?
Tenochtitlan (Now Mexico City)

The Virgen de Guadalupe appeared to Juan Diego in what location?
In the desert of Tepeyac near Mexico City

What is the name of the priest of Mexico known as the “father of the nation?”
Miguel Hidalgo y Costilla

Where did Francisco I. Madero flee when he lost the campaign against Porfirio Diaz?
The United States of America

In what state do the Tarahumara reside?
Chihuahua

How many states are in Mexico?
31

What was the name of the lake that Tenochtitlan was built upon?
Lake Texcoco

What was the name of land system that made it necessary for the conquistadores to have slaves?
The encomiendas

When was Miguel Hidalgo y Costilla captured?
March 21, 1811

How long can a president serve in office in Mexico?
6 years

In what state do the Guachichiles (red head) reside?
Zacatecas

What state in Mexico has the largest indigenous population?
Yucatan

BONUS QUESTIONS

Name three regional leaders that united behind Mexico and forced Porfirio Diaz to flee Mexico?
Answer = Emiliano Zapata, Pancho Villa, and Pascual Orozco

Name three facts of San Juan Diego
Answer = Indigenous peasant, he had a vision of the virgin of Guadalupe, and he took flowers to the bishop which resembled the virgin de Guadalupe.

What are the three nicknames for La Virgen De Guadalupe?
Answer = “Queen of Mexico”, “Empress of the Americas”, and “Patronness of the Americas”

Name the three political parties that exist in Mexico today.
Answer = PAN (Partido de Accion National), PRD (Partido de la Revolution Democratica), and PRI (Partido Revolutionario Institucionalizado)
Name the three bodies of water that surround Mexico?
Answer = Pacific Ocean, Gulf of Mexico, Caribbean Sea, Gulf of Tehuantepec, Sea of Cortes

Name five tribal affiliations of Mexico
Answer = (Look at States of Mexico and Tribal Affiliations handout)

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