

USE A CORRECT TIMELINE

In 1492, Columbus arrived in a hemisphere in which:

1. The Hohokam of the Southwest had developed extensive irrigation systems.
2. Anasazi architects built multi-level 'apartment' complexes in the Chaco Canyon of the Southwest.
3. The Kiowa and other Plains tribes developed seven different and distinct varieties of corn.
4. Agricultural communities along the Mississippi and Missouri Rivers used floodlands and dikes to enhance the harvest.
5. The Moundbuilders of Illinois constructed a pyramid one-hundred feet high and with a 17-acre base.
6. The Iroquois Confederacy of the east coast had developed into one of the most complex political units of the time. (In fact, a portion of the U.S. Constitution was based directly on Iroquois political structure.)
7. The Makah Indians of Washington state used large carved cedar canoes to hunt whales, harpooning them with 18-foot harpoons. (Many other west coast cultures were canoe-makers, often making the canoes to hold 40 people.)
8. Over six hundred varieties of houses were used, depending on the environment. (Early pioneers copied many of the house styles such as the dugout and adobe.)