

Scaffolded Questions: Bloom's Model

Topic: The Role of the Church in the Spanish Conquest of Latin America

Memory/Knowledge:

What kind of state and religious institutions existed in Latin America prior to contact?
(identify and describe)

Comprehension:

How did the arrival of Christian missionaries in Latin America affect the practice of indigenous religions?
(cause and effect, explain)

Application:

Imagine that you are a Franciscan in the Yucatan and you've just discovered that your supposed converts are continuing to secretly worship their own gods.
(apply, solve)

Analysis:

How did the Franciscans, the Dominicans, and the Jesuits differ in their approaches to Christianization of the Indians?
(compare/contrast)

Synthesis:

If the Spanish had found themselves in North America rather than Latin America, how might events have turned out differently?
(reconstruct)

Evaluation:

Based on your understanding of the meaning of conversion, evaluate the success of the Spanish missionary enterprise. Did the Spanish Christianize Latin America? Defend your argument.
(assess, persuade)