

Recorder 8-31-10 - Dani Brown

1. Follow the order of time
2. Geography explains how diff. cultures progress, and explains different habits + beliefs.
3. Diff. people have different understandings of different words
4. Evidence is important in speculations + conclusions. Evidence is not fact.
5. Both sides of history are represented in primary sources
6. Don't oversimplify history. Society has a mix of good + bad
7. God is theologically historic
8. Without memories, the self is lost
9. Acknowledge past, even the ugly
10. All historical sources have potential of bias.
11. Cause + Effect is not linear
12. Two simultaneous events/happenings are not necessarily related.

Thoughts:

- Makes us search for validity.
- Connections are important
- Search for validity, not "truth", which can be biased.

Diamond's key question:

- Why did history happen the way it did?
- European geography had more opportunity.
- more Euro. advances
- Hostile environments prompted different kinds of attempts to control the environment
- Why are spices so important? Why pepper?
- Conquest was a result of exploring for spices

Why all the texts?

- all texts represent belief, observation + questioning
- utilize 3 Cs!!

How did ~~Cajamarca~~ change the course of history?

- Shattered historically prized people - different light shed on explorers
- History was altered to prize the factors that eliminated a culture