

CHAPTER 8, SECTION 3: MAIN IDEAS

1. Spanish settlement shaped the history and culture of Venezuela.
2. Oil production plays a large role in Venezuela's economy and government today.
3. The Guianas have diverse cultures and plentiful resources.

HISTORY AND CULTURE OF VENEZUELA

1) Why did the Spanish come to Venezuela? What were they looking for? (Did they find it?)

2) How did the Spanish treat the native South American Indians? _____

3) What is Indigo? _____

4) Why did the Spanish bring Africans to Venezuela? _____

5) Who helped lead a revolt for independence in Venezuela? _____

6) How did the leaders of Venezuela rule during the 1800s?

7) Complete the chart about Venezuelan People and Culture. (Use the first one as an example.)

Religion	Most Venezuelans are Roman Catholics
Sports	
Music & Dance	
Ethnic Backgrounds	
Language(s)	

VENEZUELA TODAY

- 8) What do most Venezuelans do to make a living? _____

- 9) What are **Llaneros**? _____

- 10) What is the main industry that supports Venezuela’s economy? _____
- 11) What are some problems that can happen when a country relies mostly on a single industry? _____

- 12) What has Venezuela’s president, Hugo Chavez, done to help the people that live in Venezuela? _____

- 13) What is a **strike**? (Not as it is used in baseball. Use page 198.) _____

- 14) Define **referendum**. _____

- 15) What *policies* has Hugo Chavez adopted to improve the quality of life for Venezuelans?

THE GUIANAS - Use the chart below to take notes about the Guianas.

COUNTRY NAME	ECONOMY	RESOURCES	ETHNIC BACKGROUNDS
<i>Guyana</i>			