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Quotables

Quote	Is this quote from a European or American perspective?	How does this quote represent the causes or effects of conquest?
<p>“Their reason for killing and destroying such an infinite number of souls is...to acquire gold, and to swell themselves with riches in a very brief time and thus rise to a high estate disproportionate to their merits.” <i>–Father Bartolome de las Casas, Spanish priest</i></p>	<p>American (meaning the people groups already living in Central, North, and South America)</p>	<p>This quote represents an EFFECT of conquest. The priest believed that Europeans were killing Americans (the indigenous people groups already in Central and South America) simply to increase their wealth through gold. He also believed that the Europeans were gaining more wealth too quickly and way more than they deserved.</p>
<p>“We Spaniards know a sickness of the heart that only gold can cure.” <i>–Hernan Cortés, Spanish conquistador</i></p>	<p>European (Spain is part of Europe)</p>	<p>This quote represents a CAUSE of conquest. Europeans came to the New World in large numbers because they were seeking gold to make themselves rich. Cortes stated the desire for gold was a sickness.</p>
<p>“Even if the snows of the Andes turned to gold, still they would not be satisfied.” <i>–Manco Inca Yupanqui (pictured), the last Inca emperor</i></p>	<p>American</p>	<p>This quote could represent a cause. The Europeans’ desire for gold would drive them to take a long, dangerous journey across the ocean before taking possession of land that did not belong to them. The Inca Emperor is stating that, if snow were gold, all the snow of the Andes Mountains would not satisfy the European desire for gold.</p>
<p>“When has it ever happened, either in ancient or modern times, that such amazing exploits have been achieved? Over so many climes, across so many seas, over such distances by land, to subdue the unseen and unknown? Whose deeds can be compared with those of Spain? Not even the ancient Greeks and Romans.” <i>–Francisco Jerez, 16th century Spanish explorer and historian</i></p>	<p>European</p>	<p>This quote represents an effect. Jerez believes that Spanish exploration has demonstrated remarkable accomplishments for his country. Because Spain has journeyed over land and sea AND has been able to “subdue” things in its path, then Spanish exploration of the New World is far greater than anything that even the Greeks and Romans did.</p>
<p>Broken spears lie in the roads; we have torn our hair in grief. The houses are roofless now, and their walls are reddened with blood. We have pounded our hands in despair against the adobe walls, for our inheritance, our city, is lost and dead. The shields of our warriors were its defense, but they could not save it. <i>–From an Aztec lament, recorded circa 1528</i></p>	<p>American</p>	<p>This quote addresses an effect of European exploration. The arrival of the Europeans to the Americas brought death and destruction to the indigenous people groups living there. Although these people tried to defend their land and their countries, they were no match for the gold-seeking Europeans.</p>

(6.H.2.1 Explain how conquests affected the people groups in the Americas)