

Written Assignment 3

Requirements

Write a brief 250-500 word essay in response to the following prompt. If necessary, you may slightly exceed the 500-word limit. Your essay should follow the usual rules of English grammar and spelling. For guidance on questions of style, consult the document labeled "Editing Suggestions," or Strunk and White or the [MIT Online Writing Communication Center](#).

Prompt

Evaluate the long-term potential of Spain's American colonies after the conquest of Cortes and Pizarro. By 1600, were the indigenous inhabitants better or worse off under Catholic Spain? Be sure to make specific reference to documents you have read regarding the conquest and the first century or so of Spanish colonial rule.

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